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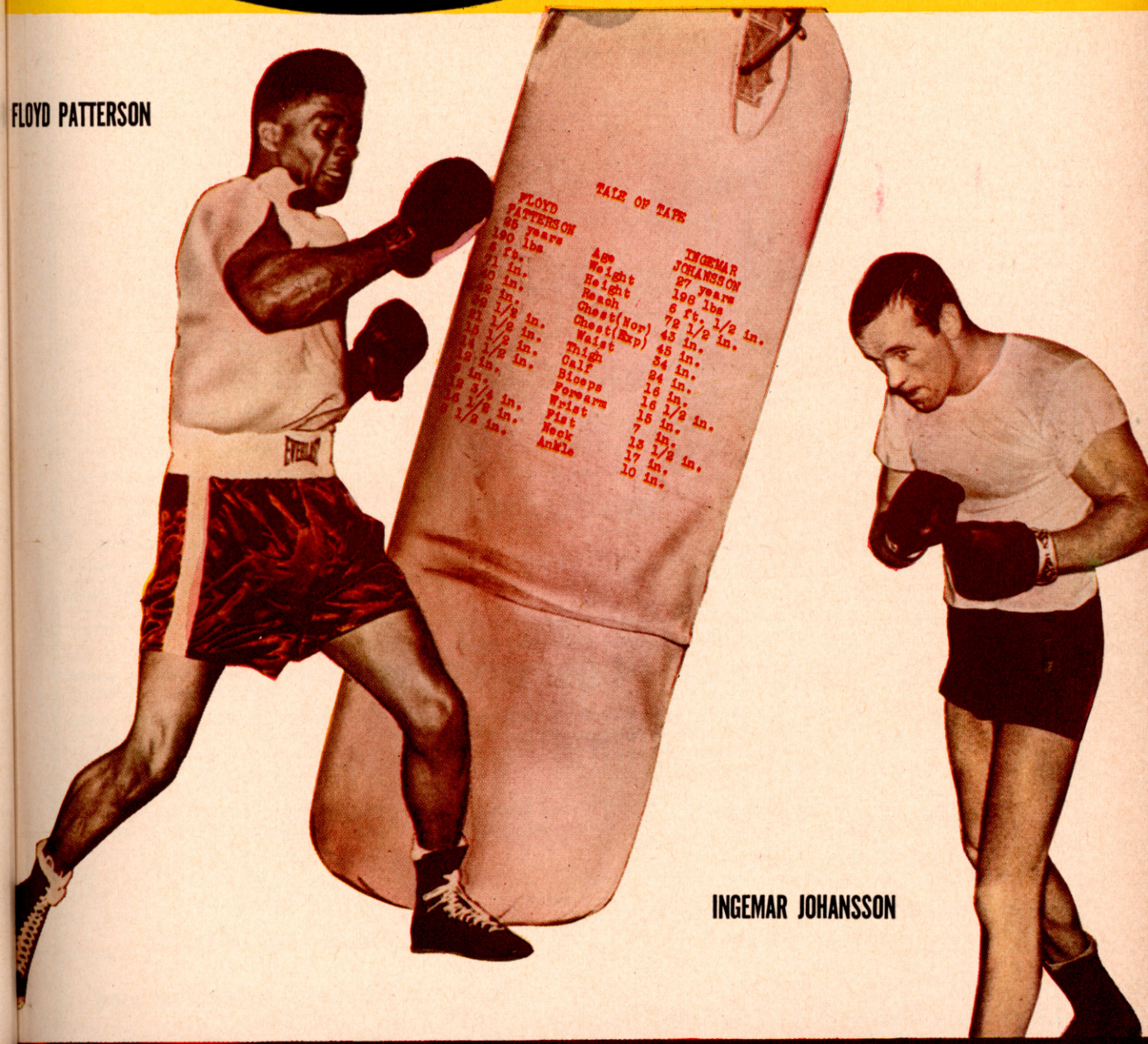

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FROM OUR READERS

STRAIGHT FROM THE SHOULDER

Sir:

As regular readers to your magazine, we were shocked by the biased article, "Uncrowned Champion", which appeared in the February, 1961, *Ring*. Apparently you forget that boxers come from states other than New York and Massachusetts and that Gene Fullmer is the middleweight champion.

It was disgusting to read Nat Fleischer's article, which disputed the decision of this fight. It was obviously a poor decision. We agree on that, but I hardly think that his personal card was any better. The most accurate vote of the entire evening was cast by George Latka. You quote that many of the ringside writers voted for Robinson. But how many times a year do we hear this trite announcement? Everyone forgets that the California Commission appointed these officials and there is where the blame should lie.

Robinson bellyaches that he had his title removed from him but he doesn't say why. He ducked fights and drove such a ridiculous bargain that few boxers would fight him. He was a truly "dormant" champion and this is one of the real evils of today's boxing.

Concerning the Fullmer-Pender match that would clear up the middleweight mess, how come a little pressure isn't put on Pender? He doesn't want to fight anywhere but in Massachusetts and the folly of this was evident in the vote of the recent TKO over Terry Downes. Fullmer has mentioned his willingness to fight on neutral ground but Pender does not seem very willing.

Lets hope that in the future you try to give a complete, unbiased coverage. This has been *Ring*'s policy in the past and it is a good tradition.

L. W. Jackson, Fredonia, Arizona; Kaye B. Coxe, Pocatello, Idaho; Hal K. Platts, Lyman, Wyoming and Pete Burnson, Las Vegas, Nev.

[Biased? I don't agree with you.]—Editor's note

BLAST OFF!

Sir:

As a subscriber to the Ring Magazine for many years, and it is also carried in my barber shop at all times for reference, I hope that in your next article on the Sugar Ray Robinson-Fullmer fight you will give Robbie the credit of winning, but not receiving the December 3, 1960 fight.

Everyone knows that the Sugar man should have won that fight—you don't have to be a pro fighter or a ringside judge to be able to tell that.

What a shame that the old man of 40 with the weak legs, the loud mouth, and with a chauffeur and half dozen servants has to be treated so abruptly and unkind. For he planted the sharpest, cleverest and the most damaging punches throughout the 15 rounds.

Fullmer would make a much better logger, he could handle the ax very well, chopping down trees in my home state, Oregon. I believe Fullmer is making the right move. Fighting Old Archie Moore, as Fullmer has been suggesting would terminate in his being blasted into outer space for good in two rounds.

Frank V. Suniga
Florence, Oregon

RINGS TRUE

Dear Sirs:

I am a sincere reader of your magazine "The Ring" and agreed with a lot of your writers but I have my own opinions. I have kept up with all the boxing information by reading your magazine.

I believe that there should be more title defenses in the heavyweight division. I am most sincerely against the idea of keeping a man from the heavyweight crown because of his past record, namely Sonny Liston. There isn't enough life in it any more because there aren't enough defenses in any of the classes. This is what is killing the great sport of boxing. I believe there should be a law to defend it as soon as someone challenges for it, and not wait until his notice comes up. This would really keep the paper jumping therefore causing a lot of publicity and comment.

You happen to keep boxing alive in my hometown, with your magazine "The Ring".

Steve Lewis
Norwood, Ohio

REFEREES—PHEW!

Sirs:

Your American refereeing must be the worst in the world. How is it that your organization has not attempted to change it.

Your referees physically pull the boxers apart when both are holding. That is all right. But by doing the same when one boxer is holding stops the other fighter from infighting.

Hence when Terry Downes got in close to Pender in an attempt to infight what happened? Pender just grabbed him and waited for the referee to help him. Namely to get Downes away from him, which is exactly what he wanted. Giardello beat Dick Tiger in this way.

Ray Robinson beat Basilio for the world middleweight title by the same method.

World titles are being won and lost with the help of your American referees.

I do not like holding. It is the cancer of boxing, but I do not believe that the way to stop it is also by stopping infighting. Soon to be a lost art in America.

F. G. Cooper,
Welling, Kent, England

OLD AND NEW

Dear Sir:

I was amazed at the contents of a letter 'From the Readers' entitled "Those Frail Heroes", expressing the inadequacy of such all-time greats as Bob Fitzsimmons, Young Griffo, George Dixon, James J. Corbett, and Jim Jeffries.

This controversial article leaves several channels for rebuttal, but I believe the most convincing would be a review of the motion picture industry's condition at that time. It was most definitely in its infancy. Since the theory of moving pictures is to project individual photographs so rapidly that the eye perceives them as in continuous motion, I contend that jerky or lunging movements looking unnecessarily awkward in the era up to 1910 (motion pictures were even then in their infancy) were most assuredly due to imperfections in projecting the photos rapidly enough to look realistic.

To describe George Dixon as 'jumping up and down like a jack in the box' is incredible. Abe Attell, who was held to two draw decisions by Dixon, and who is also rated an all-time great, had this to say.

"George Dixon, even all washed up, gave me my greatest boxing lesson."

How about that coming from one of the cleverest boxers that ever lived.

To say that Bob Fitzsimmons was 'swinging all over like a wild man' is also hard to visualize, as Fitz was anything but a swinger.

As for James J Corbett, one of the originators of the hit-and-get-away style, I saw him in an exhibition in Boston in 1909, twelve years after losing his title. Gentleman Jim, even at that age (43) was still a marvel. To briefly mention the great wizard of the ring Young Griffo, our suggestion is that never before or since has the game seen his equal.

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The May Issue will be chock full of championship material . . . The Ray Robinson-Gene Fullmer NBA middleweight title fight at Las Vegas, Nevada, will be brought to you in word and by pictures. Will the winner meet Gene Pender to unite again the NBA and World middleweight titles? Let Nat Fleischer give you the inside on that ponderous question.

Dan Daniel, The Ring Detective, will be back with a probe into the Gunboat Smith-Georges Carpentier fracas that will bring delight to new and old readers alike.

For those who want to see their favorites in action, The Ring will bring you pages of action photos and for the old timers there will be special treats including wood cuts from the private collection of The Ring Museum that have rarely been seen.

Floyd Patterson has a younger brother, Ray, currently fighting his way up through the Golden Gloves. How good is this youngster? What precedent is there for success of brothers of champions? The Ring will cover Ray and the situation in the May Issue.

In addition there will be a large section devoted to biographies, action and pose photographs and results of wrestling around the globe.

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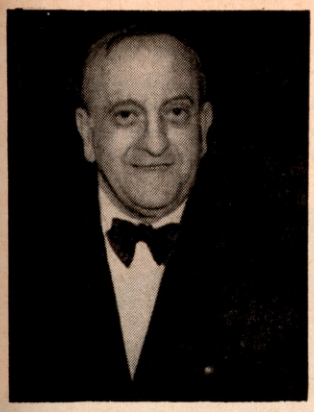

NAT FLEISCHER

Says

ARCHIE MOORE's wit, Ingemar Johansson's story about the sudden change of nationality given him by Swedes who couldn't stomach his knockout at the hands of Floyd Patterson, dead-panned Paterson's delight at the puns of Archie and the dignity with which Floyd accepted the famed Edward J. Neil trophy, were the highlights of the thirty-fifth annual dinner of the Boxing Writers' Association in New York's Waldorf-Astoria hotel.

Patterson, who not only has matured greatly since setting a world mark by regaining the world heavyweight championship from Johansson via the knockout route, but has built himself into a thorough heavyweight, displayed humility as he accepted the Boxer of the Year Award. After saying, *"I am real proud of this trophy, the second Neil award I have won, and I'll try to live up to the theme of the deed of gift,"* he reminded those who had voted the reward of the sting of criticism he had received prior to the last fight, with, *"and I want to thank all the sports writers for their wonderful, generous write-ups—after I had knocked out Johansson."*

Thus he went back to the dark hours of the previous year when less than one percent of the world's sports writers gave him a chance to regain the crown following his kayo at the hands of Ingemar.

"After I was defeated," he went on—and emphasized his next phrase—*"I received a tremendous amount of mail from Sweden, but little from Americans. I then made up my mind if I won the return bout I would make a trip to Ingemar's country. This I did and received a tremendous welcome, the warmest of receptions and I want to tell Ingemar that, regardless of the outcome of our next fight, he can go back to Sweden and make them and him proud of himself."*

It was an excellent little talk by the man who performed the greatest feat in the history of the heavyweight class—the first to retrieve the crown and the 500 spectators, the largest gathering in years, cheered lustily. Commissioners and sportsmen from many parts of the county were on hand, a huge surprise considering that the recent investigations had put a damper on boxing and the writers didn't expect more than half that number to attend.

Johansson, called on after the champion, got a big laugh when in his broken English he told about a group of Swedes who were watching his fight with Patterson.

"During and after each round," he said, *"the Swedes yelled 'Skoal'. Then came the fifth round, the one in which I lay unconscious for many minutes following my knockout and suddenly the tide turned. I quickly became that damned Swissman"*, he said with a laugh, and the gathering roared with delight.

Ingemar explained that because of high taxes he had bought a home in Switzerland and lives part of the time there and part in Sweden.

Moore's wit was the hit of the entertaining evening. He stole the show with a speech filled with humor. He shared the comedy hours with two veteran professional comedians, Joey Adams and Al Kelly, Broadway actors.

"Nowadays it's not safe for a fighter to travel anywhere without his lawyer," said Archie, *"and that's why I've got mine right here. He came on from California to protect me. I've had my title taken from me by the National Boxing Association, but I'm still the world champion and I hope shortly to defend my title against Eric Schoeppner of Germany or Guilio Rinaldi in Rome or Milan. When I lost to Rinaldi recently, I figured he was an easy mark—but he isn't. I could not resist those pizza houses and you know the result."*

Observing Johansson, who made the trip from Sweden to honor his conqueror by sitting as a guest on dais, Moore remarked:

"I see Johansson is worrying about his next fight with Floyd. I don't blame him."

The dead-pan of Patterson disappeared and holding his hand over his mouth, he giggled and throughout the fifteen minutes of Archie's talk, Floyd couldn't refrain from

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What's Floyd Patterson thinking as Ingemar Johansson's left fist rests against the champion's jaw? Floyd and the man from whom he regained the world crown, the first to retrieve the heavyweight title, kidded each other at the Boxing Writers' dinner at which Floyd received the Ed Neil award for the second time.

Sparring sessions . . . Johansson (bottom) and Patterson (top) mix it up with their sparring mates in heated exchanges preparing for the big fight.

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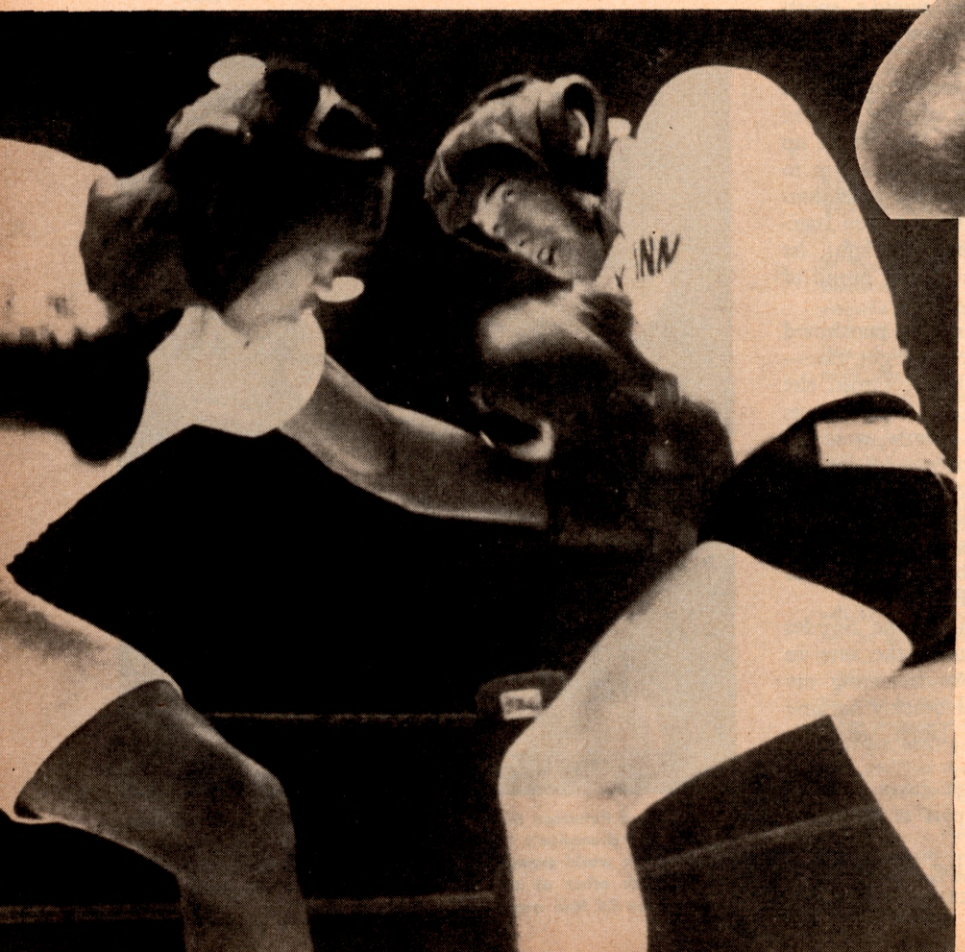


Patterson and Johansson hold knockout victories over each other as third meeting nears.

By DAN DANIEL

MIAMI BEACH, FLA.; (Special Correspondence to The Ring Magazine);—As this issue of The Ring Magazine is circulated around the world, the third meeting of Floyd Patterson, heavyweight champion of the world, and Ingemar Johansson, once the king and now the challenger, is close upon us.

The experts and the professional layers of odds have made the title holder a strong favorite.

On the basis of his five round triumph at the Polo Grounds on June 20, 1960, Patterson figures to be too fast, too clever, and too punitive with his combinations, for the man from Sweden.

However, there is no absolute dearth of Johansson money at the attractive odds. There are close students of boxing who are willing to throw out the second fight because of their belief that Ingo got careless with his training,—or rather lack of it,—and held the American too cheaply, and plaisance too highly.

These pro-Johansson forces like to go back to the first contest, in Yankee Stadium on June 26, 1959, and Ingo's third round knockout success. They prefer to see the Johansson of the devastating righthand.

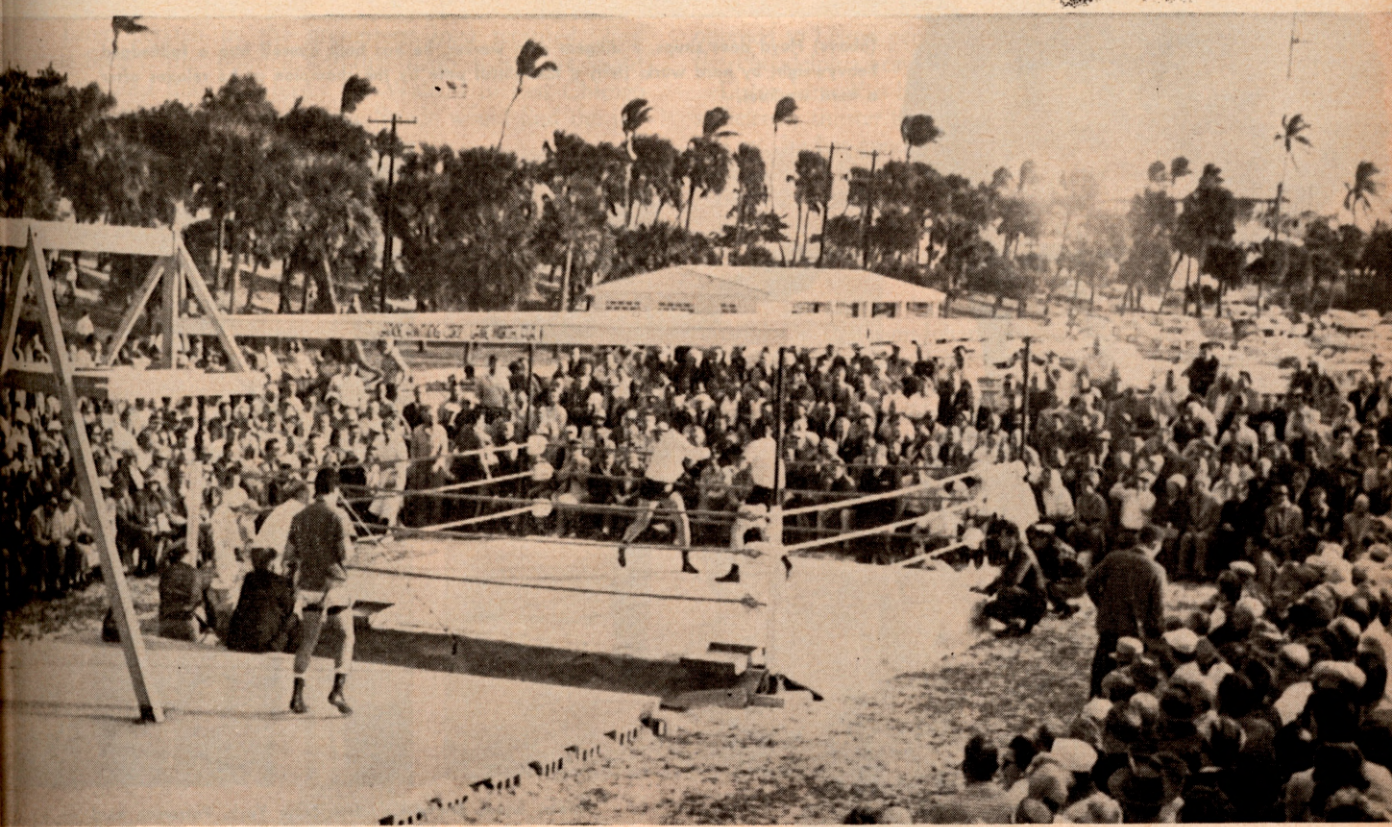
To be very plain about it, this third meeting, set for the Miami Beach Convention Hall, 17,000 capacity, on March 13, presents another guessing carnival.

The experts guessed Patterson in the first fight, and went wrong. They shifted to the Swede in the second brawl, and again went wrong. Now they are guessing Patterson. But how a lot of them are hedging!

Predictions are loaded with "Ifs", "buts", "maybes", "possibilities" and the like.

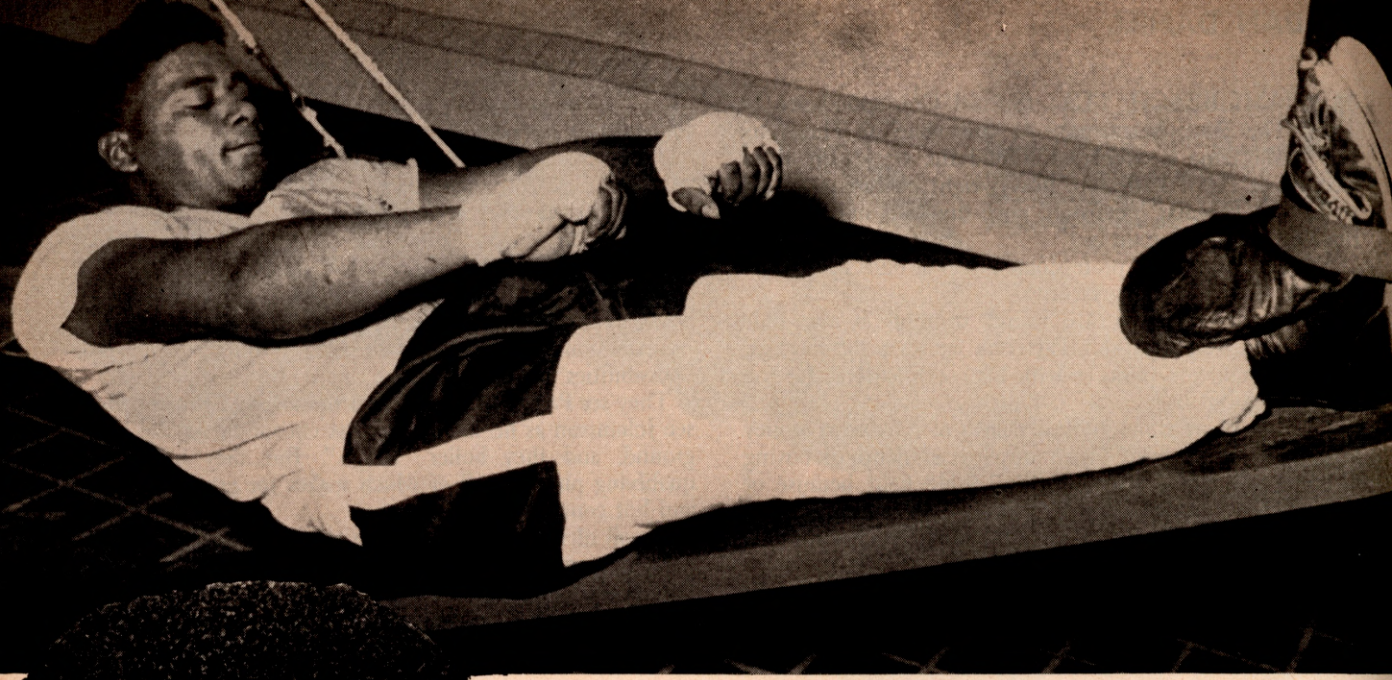
They see Patterson as he was in the second fight, and they see Johansson as he was in the first encounter, in the background, and they holler "Floyd." But they interpolate qualifying phrases. All of which makes for greater interest, and hot controversy.

A poll of the ring cognoscente attached to this magazine reveals strong support for Patterson. The only backer of Johansson is Bill Hamilton, our Swedish correspondent, who likes to ignore the second fight. He makes a rather cryptic

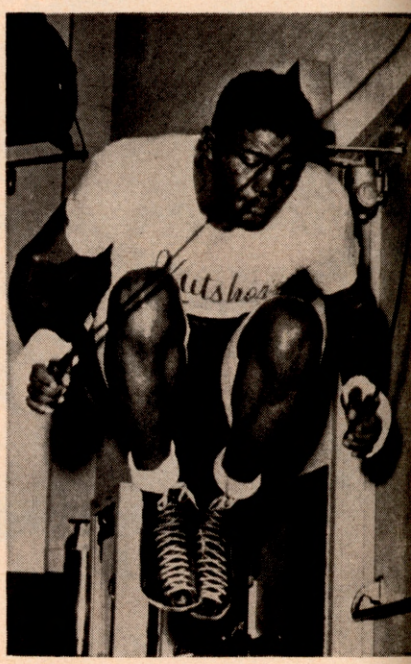


A large crowd is on hand at Ingo's training camp. He is busy at work sharpening his tools for the Patterson fight. Observers have been impressed by Johansson's condition and fighting spirit.

(left) Floyd saws wood at his Spring Valley, N. Y. camp, before heading for the Sunny South. (right) Johansson with his father and mother make a happy group before Ingemar left Sweden for the U. S. and his training camp.



(above) Floyd does situps, a diligent gym worker, he has built himself into a fullfledged heavyweight by hard work. (left) a thoughtful pose by the champion as he relaxes after a hard workout.



(Snow, Snow, Snow—Goodbye New York. Patterson hard at work for the fight of his life, to prove he is a true champion.

and intriguing statement that some of the reasons for the Swede's defeat last June never have been revealed. But he fails to put them down, black on white.

In view of the powerful backing Patterson is getting among the experts, the temptation to be different is very strong. But he who would leave the pack finds himself assailed by the strong possibility that the real test of comparative skills came not in the first but in the second fight, and that Floyd Patterson, now a full fledged heavyweight at 190 pounds, has superior boxing skill, superior ring knowledge, superior handling, an edge in psychology and the mental angle, and the much greater incentive.

As to this matter of incentive. Certainly Johansson is eager to do what Patterson accomplished, the feat of regaining a heavyweight title once lost, never before attained.

But Patterson is the dedicated fighter, the man who has nothing else in mind.

Johansson is a man of many business enterprises. It is conceivable that for him boxing has been only a stop-gap.

Shortly after Johansson had been knocked out by Patterson he said that he wanted a third meeting and then, win, lose or draw, he would quit the ring.

Later, berated by the promoters, Ingo recanted. Feature Sports, Inc. pointed out that many fight fans might get the idea that, like Jersey Joe Walcott in that Chicago fiasco with Rocky Marciano, the Swede would find the impetus to victory none too pressing.

Johansson hastened to state that he had talked without sufficient thought, right on top of a knockout defeat. Later the Swede added that he had been studying the movies of his five round trouncing, had made some very interesting discoveries, and felt certain that he would be able to overcome those flaws in the third meeting.

The Swede said something about losing six pounds on the eve of the fight, and being puzzlingly sluggish in the ring.

Well, if Johansson knows what went wrong, and has the ability to eradicate those fatal factors, there will be quite a brawl down by these Miami shores.

For Johansson, the situation calls for a new deal, for much sharper fighting, for much greater command in telling situations, for much finer condition and for unstinted use of his once victorious right.

All washed-up! Not Floyd, just good clean fun after a long hard day's work.

For Patterson, the situation is so much simpler. All he has to do is to produce a replica of his second fight. No better, no worse, and that will do it. That the Swede's study of the movies has enabled him to develop a new forceful weapon has to be doubted until, and if, he proves to the contrary.

Is the Johansson who won in three and lost in five a fighter with small hope? No. You throw a couple of 190 pounders into a ring with the realization that each boasts a knockout over the other, and a lot of things can happen.

You see, this is a fight like no other fight for the heavyweight championship of the world.

Once this is done with, what then? If Patterson wins again, whom will he fight?

Sonny Liston is rated No. 1 behind Floyd, and would have to be considered for the champion's first post-Johansson scrap.

However, Cus D'Amato, who handles Floyd, has indicated a strong dislike for a Liston fight. He is not so much opposed to Liston personally as to those who own shares in the Philadelphia heavy.

Liston himself is burdened with an out-of-the-ring history sufficiently sinister to damn any fighter's chances.

True, he has gone straight since he became a ring figure of note. But his dossier hardly begs for his entry into the higher social set.

The ratings show Liston followed by Johansson, and then Eddie Machen and Zora Folley. Lean pickings, too lean.

Now, for matters having to do with the economic features of the Patterson-Johansson No. 3.

This fight was scheduled for Miami Beach because of a guarantee of a $400,000 gate given by Bill McDonald, local sportsman and close friend of Bill Fugazy.

Of course, big fights no longer have to rely so greatly on the box office. This contest is assured of a return of no less than $800,000 from television.

Irving Kahn and his TelePrompter have acquired the air rights for $100,000 more than they paid for similar privileges in the second fight.

Kahn and his concern sell the telecast over closed circuit theatre lines. They have done well in the past and there appears to be no reason to believe that they will not do even better in this third enterprise.

The gate has a few factors working against it. In fact, they say that it will fall about $100,000 short of the McDonald guarantee.

This has not been a successful season in Florida. Extreme cold and blizzards up North would argue for the swamping of hotel accommodations all over Florida. But up to this writing, there has been no swamping.

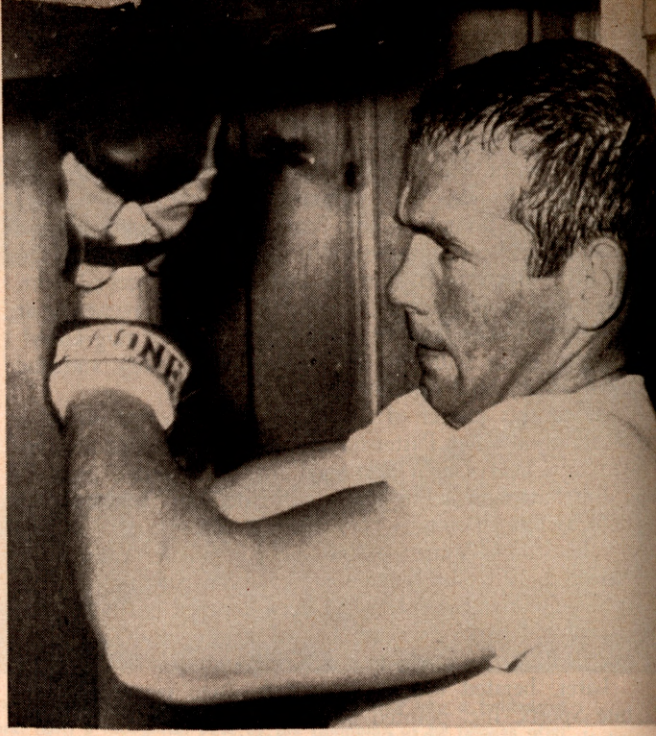
It is evident that Florida is being hurt by a recession, by an increasing army of unemployed, by a nationwide economic slump scare.

Washington is not trying to gloss this over. It admits that things are bad, and that they will get worse before they get better, but better they will be.

Bill Fugazy has scaled the Miami Beach Convention Hall on a $100, $50 and $20 basis.

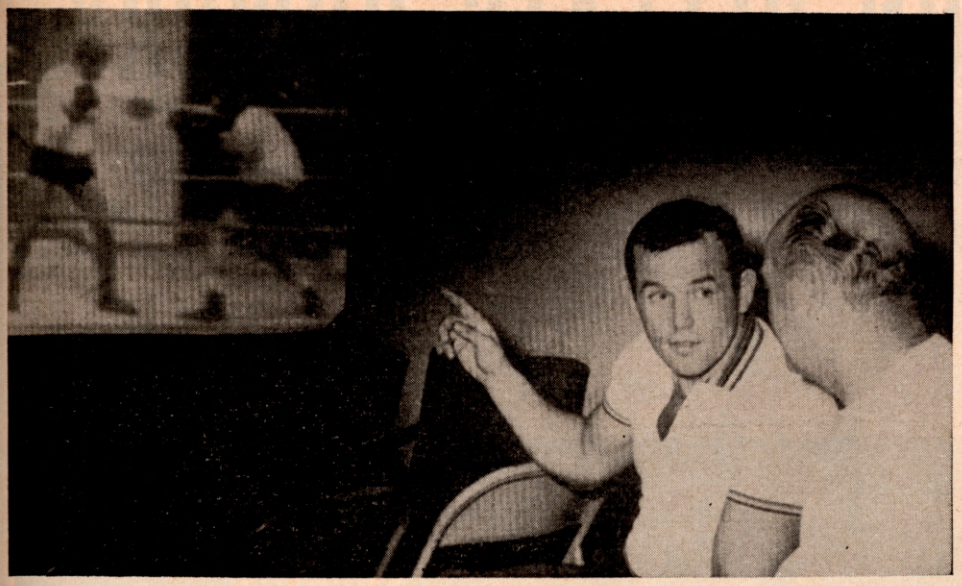
He says he has 7,000 seats at the top figure, 3,000 at $50 and 7,000 at $20. Could be the lowest category will not take up its allotment. Nor have we discerned 7,000 prospective $100 ticket buyers sauntering through the lobbies of the Fontainebleau, Eden Roc and Americana, or the hostels in Palm Beach.

In any event, down here the fight will not be at the mercy of the cold weather and heavy snows which have



Play and work, Ingemar enjoys both and he spend lots of time playing golf, swimming and walking. He feels that they help him to get in tip-top condition.

"This time, the left", Ingo seems to be saying, as he cocks his left hand. (above) Jumping rope, Johansson is aiming for speed to enable him to offset the quickness of the champion.



DID HE FIND THE ANSWER?

Johansson and his trainer spend time watching movies of his first two fights with Patterson and of his own and Patterson's sparring sessions. Ingo is sure he has corrected his own mistakes and has found some flaws in Patterson's armor.

made a shambles of the entertainment business in New York.

The Fugazys, Roy Cohn and Kahn figure that it was a fortunate move to get away from the enticing offer made by Ned Irish for use of the Garden.

The fight evokes memories of the so called "good old days" around here, when Tex Rickard, Bill Carey and the old Garden management put on the Sharkey-Scott, Loughran-Carnera and other fights under Miami skies. There was no big Convention Hall for weather protection in those days.

Had Feature Sports, Inc. wished to go outdoors with the fight it could have got the Orange Bowl, with some 80,000 seats for a ring contest.

However, Bill Fugazy won his argument in favor of a roofed arena and freedom from rain and cold worries, as well as complete protection from invasion by unpaying "guests" or the forward rush from cheaper seats.

"This fight represents a new concept in promotion," Bill has said. Let's see how Ingemar Johansson interprets this inside the roped arena.

A poll of the staff experts of The Ring Magazine reveals only one vote for Ingemar Johansson. That was cast by Bill Hamilton, its Stockholm correspondent.

Nat Fleischer, editor and publisher of the magazine, comes out for Floyd Patterson, but does not rule out the possibility of an upset. Here are the various opinions;

HOW THEY PICK 'EM

BY NAT FLEISCHER

Picking the winner of any fight involves personal opinion based on ring cleverness, hitting power and past performances.

These three points of judgment were used in both of the bouts between Patterson and Johansson and in the majority of cases, failed to hit the mark. Those who make the odds were as wrong in their selections as were the reporters who picked Floyd to win the first fight and the Swede to win the second one.

An unknown factor, the tremendous power of Johansson's right hand which downed Floyd seven times and caused him to lose the championship worked against the experts in fight No. 1. The natural conclusion, based on the shellacking Floyd took in that contest, caused a shift from Patterson to Johansson in the second encounter. Both were misses.

Now the odds favor Patterson to retain his title. I must go along with that prediction. He has grown into a real heavyweight—half an inch taller than when the pair last met and normally six pounds heavier, and an inch added to his chest development. These, plus his determination, speed, boxing ability, and the knowledge that since he did it before he can do it again, bring my prediction that Patterson will retain his crown by a knockout.

BY JERSEY JONES

Off past performances, the logical way to pick the winner of Episode No. 3 in the Patterson-Johansson series is to wait until you know which rival is favorite, then bet on the other guy.

It worked that way in the two previous engagements. Two years ago Patterson was an overwhelming choice to win—and he was knocked out. Last year Johansson was almost unanimously picked to repeat—and he was flattened.

When these two heavyweights start unloading bombs on each other, anything can happen. The first real solid punch landed by either may decide the issue. Still, since we've got to make a definite selection, we'll have to string with Patterson.

Johansson is dangerous, but Floyd figures to be too fast for him. We're gambling on Patterson—in three rounds.

BY NAT LOUBET

Floyd Patterson should knock out Johansson within nine rounds. Having been wrong in picking the winner of their two previous meetings, it remains an interesting challenge to make a choice as their rubber match is about to take place.

A hard punching Johansson, who bounced Patterson off the canvas seven times while belting him out, showed a right hand punch and durability in their first meeting.

In their second outing Ingemar landed what was labeled as his "Sunday punch", but was unable to finish his rubber-legged challenger. Floyd quickly regained his equilibrium and went on to exhibit a flashy exhibition of hard hitting combinations that stunned and eventually took Johansson apart, seam by seam.

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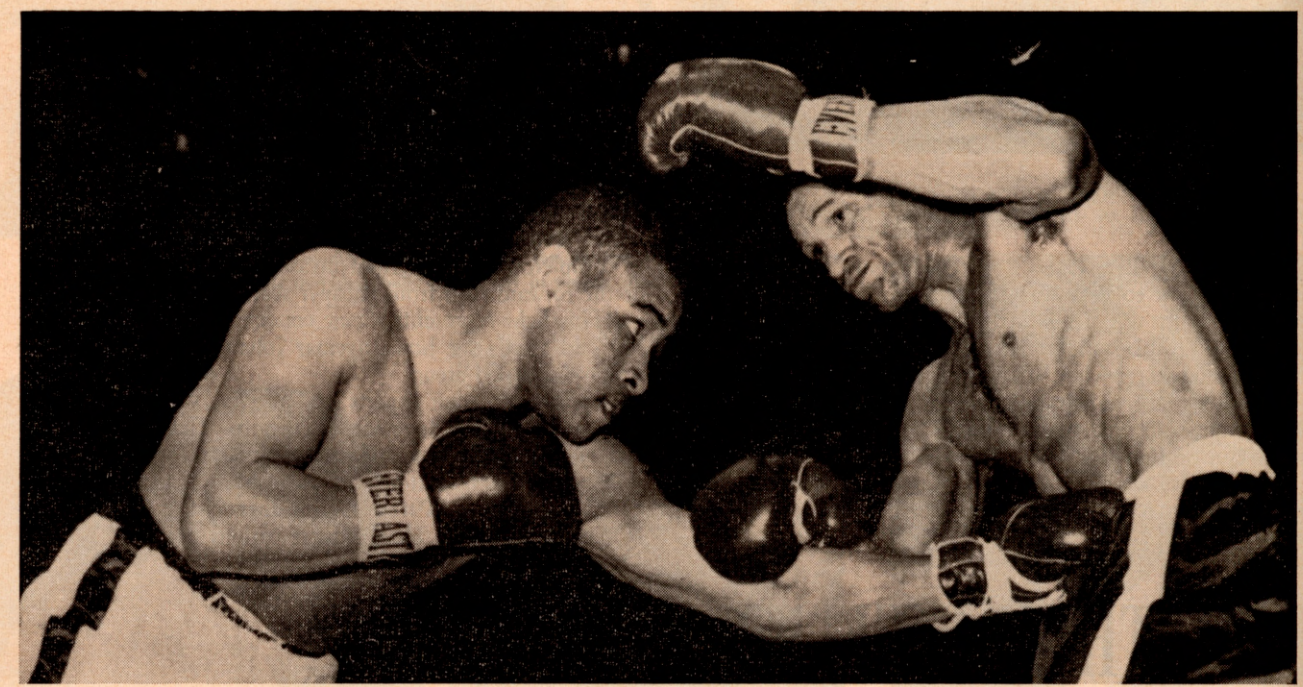
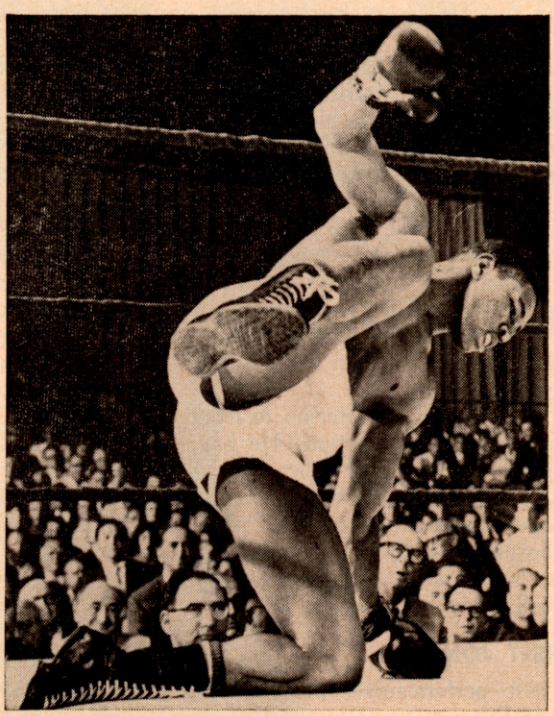
JOHNSON DEFEATS BOWDRY

Harold Johnson Wins NBA Light Heavyweight Crown Easily Disposing Of Jesse Bowdry In Ninth Round

By TOM EPHREM
Special to The Ring



The master boxer Harold Johnson (right) parries a long left lead of Jesse Bowdry's during the early going. Harold outclassed his youthful opponent from the start to finish of the contest. Now Johnson wants fight with Archie Moore.



(Above) A joyous victor, Johnson insists on fighting Archie Moore to prove his right to the world championship. (Right) Bowdry heads for the canvas for the first time in the ninth and final round. One more knockdown and the fight was stopped by the referee.

JOHNSON vs BOWDRY

32	AGE 23
172	WEIGHT 173
	HEIGHT
5ft.10.	5ft.10.
	REACH
75 in.	72 in.
	CHEST NORMAL
41 in.	37½ in.
	CHEST EXPANDED
43 in.	40 in.
	WAIST
32 in.	32 in.
	THIGH
22 in.	23 in.
	FIST
12¼ in.	12 in.
	NECK
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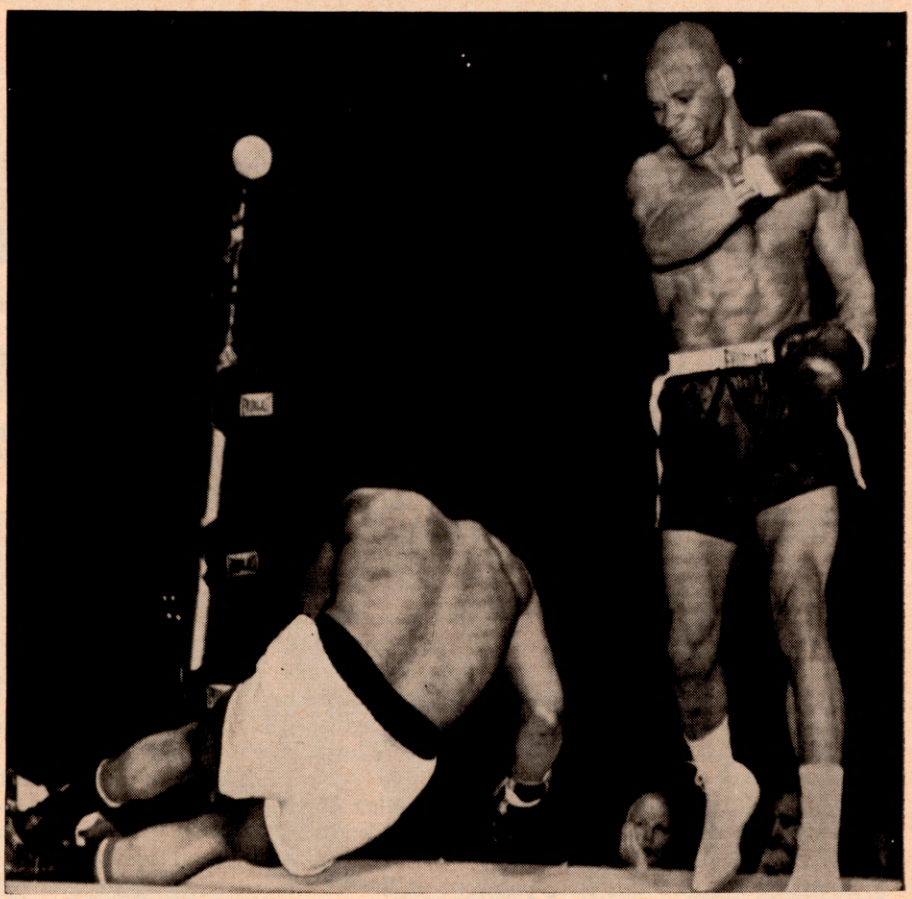

The first knockdown came in the sixth round following a sharp right cross to the jaw landed by Johnson. Jesse made it to his feet and lasted until the ninth round but he was unable to land any telling punches against Harold's clever defense.

MIAMI BEACH—More determined than ever to force idle world champions into title defenses, or declare their laurels vacated, the National Boxing Association has added another name to its list of homemade champions.

By disposing of Jesse Bowdry in the ninth round of their bout in Miami Beach's Convention Hall, Harold Johnson, 32-year-old Philadelphian, is now recognized by the N.B.A. as successor to Archie Moore as boss of the light-heavyweights. Moore had been declared null and void because of his lack of championship activity.

Although no argument could be offered against Johnson's nomination as one of the contenders for the vacant championship, the selection of Bowdry as Harold's opponents in a "title" bout was somewhat on the ridiculous side. Bowdry was picked because of a surprise decision over Willie Pastrano, but he had been knocked out three times by another light-heavyweight, Sonny Ray, and twice by a middleweight, Henry Hank. In international ratings, Bowdry was topped by Chic Calderwood of Scotland and Giulio Rinaldo of Italy, both of whom, incidentally, had beaten Bowdry's three-time conqueror, Sonny Ray.

This is not said in disparagement of Johnson's victory. Harold didn't pick his opponent, who was named by the N.B.A. The Philadelphian was willing to meet any rival who could be enveigled into the ring with him. There was no doubting the authenticity of his victory. He gave a beautiful exhibition of boxing and sharpshooting in disposing so decisively of Bowdry. In superb condition, scaling 172 pounds, Harold turned in one of the finest performances of his career. With determination born of years of frustration in his quest of the crown, he fought with a cold, calculating fury that could not be denied.

But Johnson wasn't entirely satisfied with his triumph. "I won the N.B.A. 'title'," he said, "but I won't feel like a real champion until I beat the old man, Archie Moore."

The fact that the "old man" had whipped Johnson in three of four non-title bouts, and had knocked him out in their last meeting, with the championship at stake, didn't matter to Harold. He figured he had earned the right to another chance at Moore, and he won't feel content as a "part" champion until he can get Old Archie into the ring with him and settle the question of an undisputed world champion.

Johnson paved the way for the stoppage by scoring knockdowns in the sixth and eighth rounds and when the bull-shouldered Bowdry, scaling 173, went down again in the ninth under a heavy barrage and arose at the count of seven, groggy and helpless, Referee Cy Gottfried stepped in and halted the affair. His action received acclaim from the gathering of 4,017 that had paid a gross of $20,829.50.

The affair was one between a clever, sharp shooting boxer against a bobbing, weaving fighter who often let himself wide open as his lunges failed to hit the mark. Johnson was in command almost from the start, and as was expected, his opponent just didn't fit into the picture as a championship challenger.

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American Feathers Scarce

Class that shined with talent years ago, has only two U. S. boxers rated—Many long distance thrillers listed in bare knuckle era.

THE fourth round knockout of Fred Galiana, Spanish featherweight champion by Davey Moore in a non-title bout in Madrid a few weeks ago, added to the proof that the Springfield, Ohio champion stands head-and-heels above the challengers for his crown. It also strengthened The Ring's Annual Rating of Boxers in placing Moore in a class by himself.

A glance through the ratings shows only one other American, a Californian of Mexican parentage, Felix Cervantes, as the lone U. S. contender.

The extent to which this class, once one of the best in talent in America, has dropped in prestige is clearly indicated by large number of foreigners listed among the first twenty in world boxing. In the Golden era, the years in which Tex Rickard was the leading promoter, the featherweight division was loaded with classy performers.

Who can forget the many thrilling performances of Johnny Dundee, Johnny Kilbane, Louis Kid Kaplan, Benny Bass, Tony Canzoneri among many others in the days when America boasted of the world's best? There were a few good foreigners, like Andre Routis, Charles Ledoux, Eugene Criqui, Eduard Mascart and Maurice Holtzer of France; Kid Chocolate of Cuba, and Nel Tarleton, Jimmy Walsh, Johnny Cuthbert and Dave Crowley of the British Isles, who added prestige to the division. But for every foreign top featherweight, there were at least half a dozen better ones or his equal in the States.

Some of these not only were men who possessed ring science to the highest degree, but were equally well in endurance. Bouts of twenty rounds in the days of Attell and Kilbane, and continued even after their retirement, were frequent. Routis, Ledoux, Dundee and Criqui fought twenty rounders.

Boxing history records many contests among the fistic stars of the bare-knuckle and skin-tight eras that lasted from one to six hours with the majority in the higher divisions, particularly in the middleweight and heavyweight classes. But there were many such contests in the bantam and feather divisions.

Dal Hawkins, one of the earliest claimants of the world feather title and one of the greatest in his division, had a unique record. When he fought Fred Bogan for the right to top the division, they engaged on June 3, 1889 in a seventy-five round draw, the bout being halted because of darkness. Yet the following day, they continued the affair to a decision, Hawkins scoring a knockout in the fifteenth round to become the acknowledged champion.

Among his endurance bouts was the knockout of Dan Mahoney in the twenty-ninth round; a 20 round draw with George Dixon; a 22 round kayo of Spike Sullivan; 20 round draws with Martin Flaherty and Martin Denny, and a 20 round triumph over Perry Queenan. Feathers in his days didn't haggle over opponents nor the distance of a fight.

Going through the old files seeking historic distance contests, one can fill a book with them. Included in the list are several in which Jack Havlin, New England champion who hailed from Boston and was undefeated took part. Jack, a favorite among the Irish, in 1887 fought a terrific battle with Ike Weir, the Belfast Spider, at Warwick, Rhode Island that terminated in the sixty-first round when the referee called a halt and declared the contest a draw.

Shortly after that affair, he was challenged by Frank Murphy of Birmingham, England, for a battle to a finish. They signed for a $1000 side bet, winner take all, and early in the morning of August 2, 1888, they fought a vicious duel in Hoboken, New Jersey, with skin tight gloves. Murphy at the time laid claim to the British crown and Havlin had strong backing in New England but held no title nor did he claim any, though the Bostonians insisted he had as much right to American honors as did Murphy to the British.

There was no winner, for after fighting 49 tough, bruising, bloody rounds, the battle was declared a draw by the referee with the consent of the principals and their backers. The general opinion was that Havlin had much the better of the bout. He gave his Britisher a severe drubbing but couldn't knock him out.

Murphy showed courage and a hefty wallop and several times sent Havlin reeling to the ropes. The fact that Murphy was downed a number of times is what caused most of the spectators and newsmen to favor Havlin at the finish though the third man in the ring thought otherwise. In the sixteenth round and the first, Murphy hit the canvas twice. There was lots of clinching in the final rounds in

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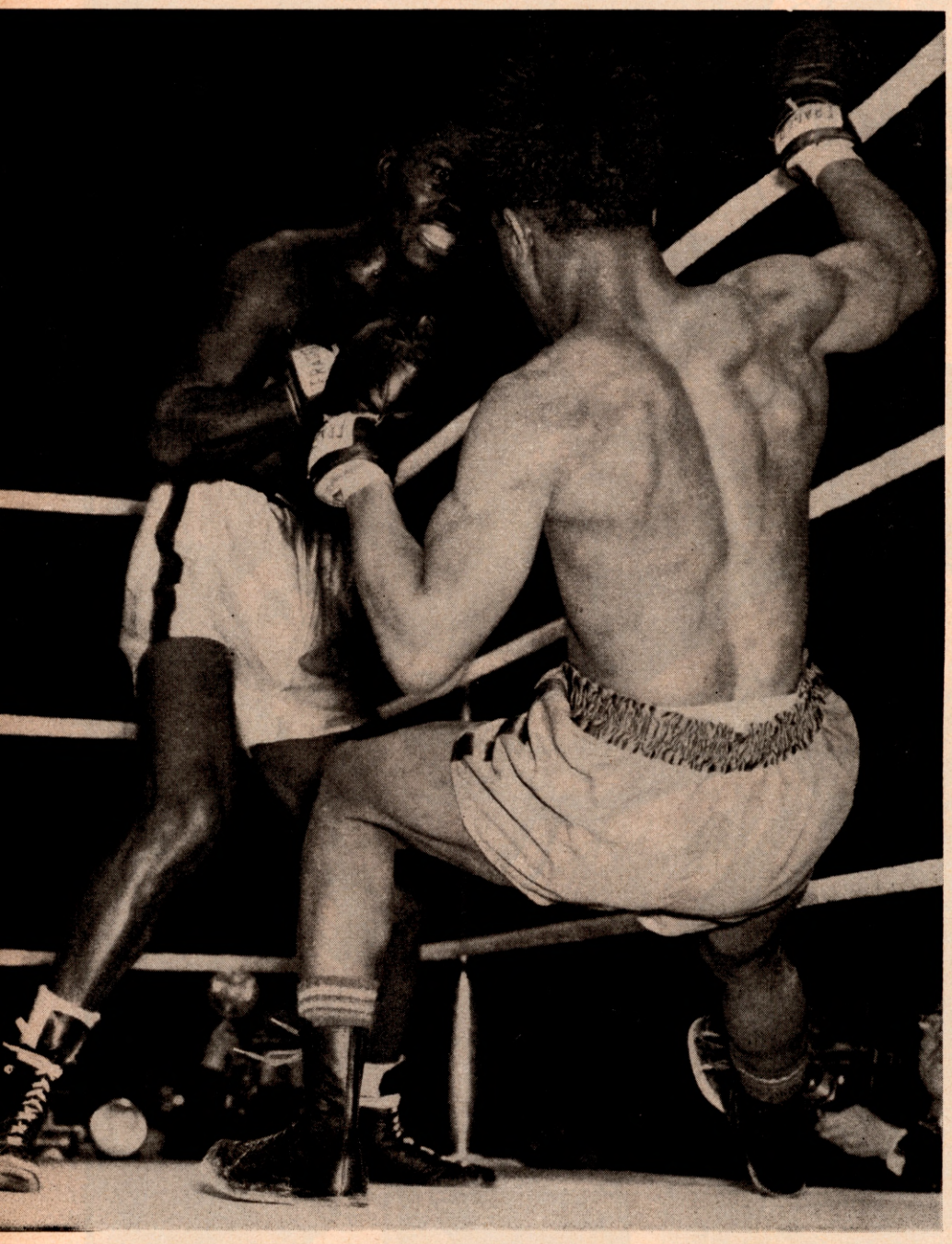
By NAT FLEISCHER

The great International featherweight battle between Jack Havlin of Boston and Frank Murphy, of Birmingham, Eng., British claimant to world honors, held on August 2, 1888 in Hoboken, N. J. The men fought with skin tight gloves for $2000 and the bout was called a draw at the end of 49 bloody rounds. In the illustration, Murphy is seen going down, one of many times, from Havlin's left hand jolts.

MARKED BY FATE . . .

FOUR JUST MEN



The look of the "tiger" is evident on the face of Ezzard Charles as he blasted Sam Baroudi out, but the death of his victim following this fight removed the "tiger" from Charles for the rest of his ring career.

By
LEW ESKIN

FATE has played tricks on many men in all walks of life. The hulking Jess Willard, the ponderous Primo Carnera, the happy-go-lucky Max Baer and the solemn Ezzard Charles all held the world heavyweight title, but what other common denominator did they share.

What tricks did Dame Fate play on them? What changes took place in their lives and careers following their meeting?

The common denominator? . . . Stark tragedy. The cold hand of death, dealt by their gloved fists to an opponent didn't hold their advance to the top rung of the ladder. They continued and reached their goal—the heavyweight championship of the world. Each apparently shook off the effect left on their minds by the tragedy. But did they?

LIVES OF FOUR WORLD HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPIONS ALTERED BY BRUSH WITH DAME FATE . . .

Ernie Schaff is dragged to his corner following the bout with Primo Carnera, which was the final link in a chain of events that brought about the Jerseyan's death.

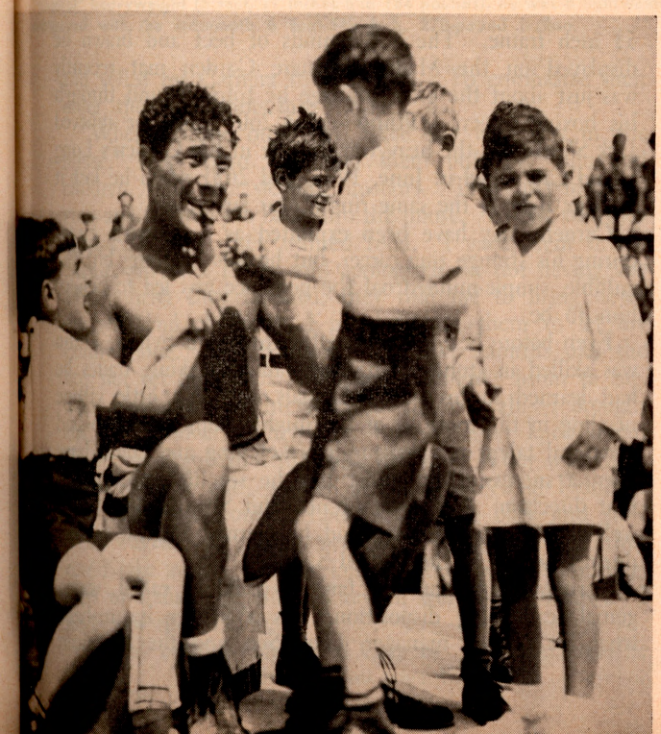
Willard, like most men of great size, was a non-belligerent individual. He looked upon his boxing career as a job that had to be done and not with the glee of some of his fellow pugilists. Jess was one of many who emerged during the "White Hope" era when Jack Johnson reigned as champion. Unlike many of the boxers who looked upon their tasks as a Holy Crusade to regain the crown for the "White Race" Jess, who turned to boxing at the age of thirty, was just interested in making a living for his family, but fate was to tap him as the man to topple Johnson.

That of course is a story that has been told many times in the pages of The Ring, and is not more than a faint shadow in our tale which is of the other brush with fate that befell Jess.

Willard was well on in years as fighters go, when he first laced on a pair of gloves in search of cash. His great size, six foot six and two hundred and fifty pounds, made him an attraction. In his day, long before the "basketball goon" of today, he was truly a giant.

He showed well in no-decision bouts in New York City with Arthur Pelkey and Luther McCarty during the summer of 1912. A year later the same two were also tapped by fate. Off these fights no one would have considered him a threat to Johnson's title.

As 1912 drew to a close Jess disposed of Soldier Kearns in eight rounds and in January of 1913 he headed west boxing twice in Ft. Wayne, Indiana, before reaching San Francisco, California in May where he was beaten in twenty rounds by Gunboat Smith. He later drew in four rounds with Charley Miller, then won from Al Williams in eight rounds.



Happy-Go-Lucky Max Baer clowns with a group of youthful admirers while training at Asbury Park, N. J., for his fight with James J. Braddock when he was to fritter away his title.

FATALITY IN BULL YOUNG BOUT

Willard was then matched against Bull Young in Vernon, Calif. Young, a cowboy from Glen Rock, Wyoming, and Jess mauled their way through ten rounds on that fated August 22nd, 1913, with no real damage inflicted by either.

The eleventh round followed the same pattern, when suddenly Willard delivered a crushing right uppercut that crashed onto the jaw of Young, who sank to the canvas and was counted out. He was dragged to his corner by his seconds but they were unable to revive him and after medical examination he was rushed to a Los Angeles hospital where the died the following morning after an operation to relieve the pressure on his brain caused by the cerebral hemorrhage proved unsuccessful.

Jess and ten others associated with the contest were arrested and charged with manslaughter. The bail set for Willard was $5,000 and a bail of $1,000 was set by the court for the others. The bond money was posted by James J. Jeffries and John Brink.

Those who were later cleared along with Willard, were his manager Tom Jones and his seconds, Charles Anslinger, James Cameron and Eddie Webster, Harry Gilmore, Jr. the manager of Young, and Bull's seconds, John Davis and Harry Monahan, promoters Al Greenwald and Thomas J. McCarey, referee Charles F. Eyton and the timekeeper Albert G. Harder.

WON TITLE IN HAVANA

Seven fights later Willard defeated Johnson in Havana on April 5, 1915 and the "White Hope Era", one of boxing's most colorful periods, was ended. A year passed before Jess was to fight again. He defended his crown when he fought Frank Moran in a no-decision ten rounder in Madison Square Garden, then did not fight again until he faced Jack

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The ALP Still AMBLING

Carnera's Comeback As Wrestler Adds Happy Chapter to Hectic Career of Ex-Boxing Champion

Carnera had natural gift for pen-and-ink drawing, as indicated in this sketch he drew of himself and French manager, Leon See.

By JERSEY JONES

SHED no more tears for Primo Carnera. The Ambling Alp presents a graphic confirmation of Bill Shakespeare's philosophical observation that "all's well that ends well."

It's ending very well, indeed, for the mastadonic Italian. At 54, Carnera, one-time heavyweight boxing champion (hey! hey!) of this turbulent world, has been doing considerably better than all right for himself as a grunt-and-groan specialist on the wrestling mat.

Da Preem may not be getting the "big" paydays he knew when he was being exploited as a fighter—but he hasn't a mob of managers, advisers and hangers-on whacking up large hunks of the revenue. Most of what he gets now, he keeps, and it is conservatively estimated that he keeps in the neighborhood of $50,000 annually. Even in this age of inflation, that's a very nice neighborhood to be around.

A naturalized American citizen since 1951, Carnera owns a home, reportedly valued at $40,000, in the fancy Westwood Hills section of Los Angeles, where he lives with his wife Pina, son Umberto and daughter Joanna. Umberto, 21, recently finished a hitch in the U. S. Navy, and Joanna, 18, is a student at the University of Southern California.

Gallivanting around Europe, Australia, South America and the U.S.A. with his wrestling shenanigans, Carnera has kept himself in remarkably fine physical condition since quitting the prizefighting trade. There is no indication of a "middle-age spread" developing on his massive 6 foot, 5¾ inch frame. The 264 pounds of beef and brawn he displayed on the Madison Square Garden mat recently was just about the gross tonnage he toted around through his boxing career. (Primo scaled 260½ when he relieved Jack Sharkey of the heavyweight title in the Garden's Long Island City Bowl in June, 1933, and 263¾ when he lost it to Max Baer in the same ring a year later.)

Carnera may have been exploited as a one-man circus during his strange ring career, but he was anything but the gullible, simple-minded oaf the populace was led to believe him to be.

Even before he began his leather-tossing activities, Primo was skilled in stone-cutting and cabinet-making, trades he had learned in his native Sequals, a sleepy little village nestling in the foothills of the mighty Alps. He also had a natural talent for pen-and-ink sketching and could have been a successful cartoonist had he set his ambitions in that direction. He spoke French and Spanish fluently, as well as his native Italian, and he learned English rapidly during his stay in the United States.

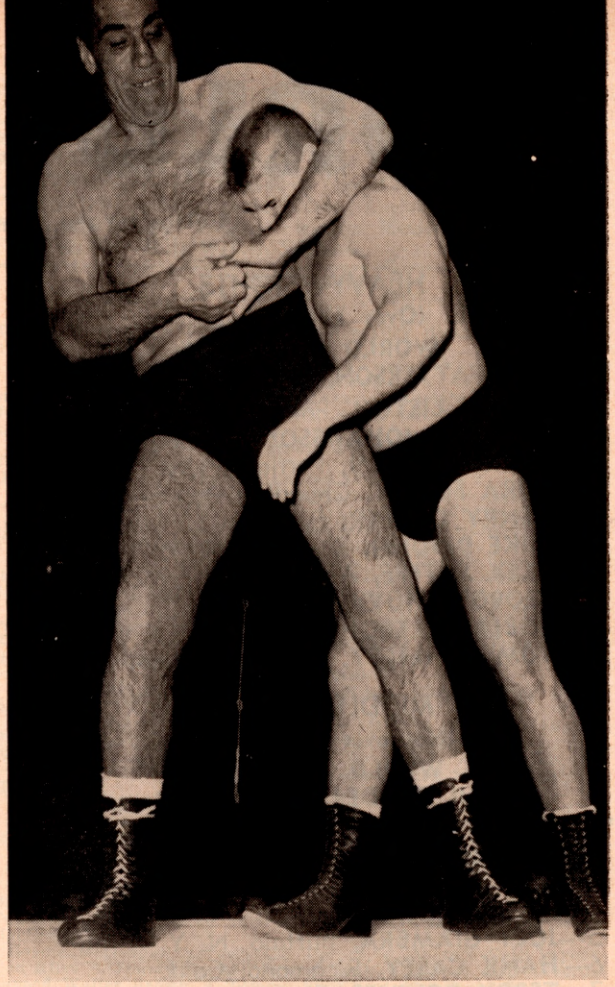
Carnera's main fault, if fault it could be called, was a genial, easy-going disposition. As a fighter he realized what his French manager, Leon See, and the American

syndicate headed by Bill Duffy were doing with and to him, but he was satisfied with what he was getting out of it, and had no complaints to register. It was, to use his own words, a "good living."

Carnera doesn't mind talking of his experiences.

Did he take back any money to Italy when his boxing career ended in the U. S. A.? Stories were prevalent that his managers had "robbed" him, and left him stranded when he outlived his usefulness to them.

"No, no," Primo protests in a deep, throaty rumble. "I took home plenty of money, enough to live comfortably all my life. I had many suits of clothes, many shoes, shirts and other things to wear. I bought a villa in my home town, and a 200-acre farm. I had money in the bank. In



Primo's tremendous size is well evidenced in this camera shot taken during former boxing champion's recent appearance as wrestler in Madison Square Garden. The Ambling Alp has a headlock wrapped around his opponent, "The Crusher," who looks puny against Carnera's mastadonic proportions.

Sequals, where most people were poor, I was a rich man. I married and was very happy when my son was born."

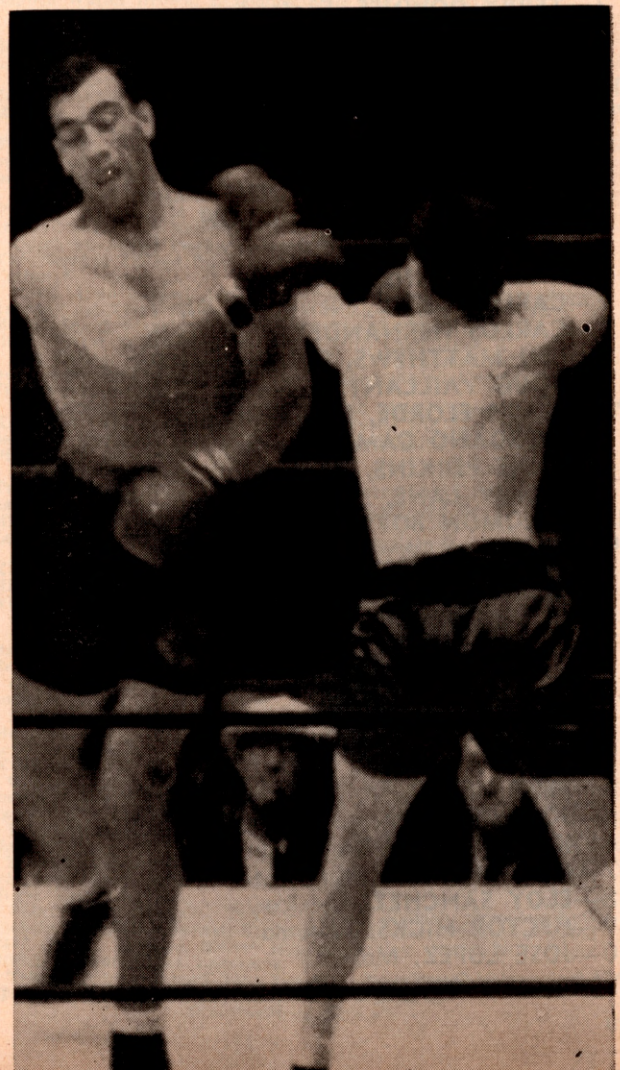
Carnera's happiness was short-lived. Along came the war, and the Nazis swept down into Italy. They pillaged Sequals, stole everything they could, and put many of the villagers, Primo included, to work at forced labor with picks and shovels. The pay was 15 cents a day.

Carnera needed food for his family; at night he sneaked off and, bit by bit, traded his clothes for milk, bread, anything he could get. The Nazis kept a close watch on everybody, but that didn't stop Primo from making contact with the Underground, and he helped when, where and how he could.

With the war nearing its end, and the Nazis in retreat, troubles continued to harass Carnera and his family, which had now been augmented by the arrival of a daughter.

Law had vanished from Sequals, and robbery and violence were prevalent. Primo's villa and farm were a mess. Anything the Nazis couldn't take, they wrecked. A long, expensive job of restoration faced Carnera. He still had funds in the bank. He withdrew lira to the value of $35,000.

That night four men pulled up in front of the house



Another idea of Carnesa's gigantic bulk is illustrated in this scene from his bout with Tommy Loughran in Miami in 1934. Although Loughran was a "normal" heavyweight (5 feet, 11 inches and 184 pounds), he was a lightweight compared with the mammoth 6 foot-5¾ inch, 270-pound Italian.

and yelled for Carnera to come out. To emphasize their order, they fired shots into the air.

"When I came out, they asked me who was in the house," says Primo. "I told them only my wife and children, who were sleeping upstairs. They had machine guns and ordered me back into the house. I went and they followed. First, they wanted food. I gave them bread, cheese, anything I had, and apologized for not having any wine. After they finished, they told me to bring down my wife and children. I pleaded with them to let my family alone. The baby was only two months old, the boy not yet four years. The men wouldn't listen to me. They had guns and threatened to shoot us all. I brought the family down. Then they told me they knew about the money I got from the bank that day. They wanted it. With machine guns pointed at me, what could I do? I gave them the money. Later they came back and stole what was left of my furniture and everything else they could take away. I don't know if they were Nazi stragglers or Italian brigands. They all wore heavy beards. I never saw them before."

A bleak outlook confronted Carnera. No longer was he

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By NAT FLEISCHER

WORLD RATINGS

Ratings for the Month ending February 22nd

HEAVYWEIGHTS
(Over 175 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
FLOYD PATTERSON, Rockville Centre, N. Y.

1—**SONNY LISTON,** Philadelphia, Pa.
2—**INGEMAR JOHANSSON,** Sweden
3—**EDDIE MACHEN,** Portland, Ore.
4—**ZORA FOLLEY,** Chandler, Ariz.
5—**HENRY COOPER,** England
6—**MIKE DeJOHN,** Syracuse, N. Y.
7—**ALEX MITEFF,** Argentina
8—**GEORGE CHUVALO,** Canada
9—**ROBERT CLEROUX,** Canada
10—**TOM McNEELEY,** Arlington, Mass.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
(Not over 160 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
PAUL PENDER, Brookline, Mass.

*1—**GENE FULLMER,** West Jordan, Utah
2—**RAY ROBINSON,** New York, N. Y.
3—**GUSTAV SCHOLZ,** Germany
4—**DICK TIGER,** Nigeria
5—**JOEY GIAMBRA,** Buffalo, N. Y.
6—**HANK CASEY,** Richmond, Calif.
7—**TERRY DOWNES,** England
8—**FLORENTINO FERNANDEZ,** Cuba
9—**JOEY GIARDELLO,** Philadelphia, Pa.
10—**DENNY MOYER,** Portland, Ore.

*NBA Middleweight Champion

LIGHTWEIGHTS
(Not over 135 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
JOE BROWN, Baton Rouge, La.

1—**DAVE CHARNLEY,** England
2—**CARLOS ORTIZ,** New York, N. Y.
3—**CARLOS HERNANDEZ,** Venezuela
4—**LEN MATTHEWS,** Philadelphia, Pa.
5—**DOUG VAILLANT,** Cuba
*6—**FLASH ELORDE,** Philippines
7—**GIORDANO CAMPARI,** Italy
8—**EDDIE PERKINS,** Chicago, Ill.
9—**KENNY LANE,** Muskegon, Mich.
10—**SOLOMON BOYSAW,** Cleveland, O.

*NBA Junior Lightweight Champion

BANTAMWEIGHTS
(Not over 118 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
Title Vacant

*1—**EDER JOFRE,** Brazil
1—**ALPHONSE HALIMI,** France
3—**FREDDIE GILROY,** Ireland
4—**PERO ROLLO,** Italy
5—**JOE MEDEL,** Mexico
6—**KENJI YONEKURA,** Japan
7—**LEO ESPINOSA,** Philippines
8—**ELOY SANCHEZ,** Mexico
9—**HECTOR HICKS,** Panama
10—**JOSE LOPEZ,** Mexico

*NBA Bantamweight Champion

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
(Not over 175 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
ARCHIE MOORE, San Diego, Calif.

*1—**HAROLD JOHNSON,** Philadelphia, Pa.
2—**GIULIO RINALDI,** Italy
3—**CHIC CALDERWOOD,** Scotland
4—**ERICH SCHOPPNER,** Germany
5—**DOUG JONES,** New York, N. Y.
6—**MIKE HOLT,** South Africa
7—**WILLIE PASTRANO,** Miami, Fla.
8—**JESSE BOWDRY,** St. Louis, Mo.
9—**BOBO OLSON,** Portland, Ore.
10—**LENNART RISBERG,** Sweden

*NBA Light Heavyweight Champion

WELTERWEIGHTS
(Not over 147 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
BENNY PARET, Cuba

1—**FEDERICO THOMPSON,** Argentina
2—**EMILE GRIFFITH,** New York, N. Y.
3—**LUIS RODRIGUEZ,** Cuba
4—**RALPH DUPAS,** New Orleans, La.
*5—**DULIO LOI,** Italy
6—**JORGE FERNANDEZ,** Argentina
7—**BRIAN CURVIS,** Wales
8—**GOMEO BRENNAN,** Bimini, Bahamas
9—**CHARLEY SCOTT,** Philadelphia, Pa.
10—**DON JORDAN,** Los Angeles, Calif.

*NBA Junior Welterweight Champion

FEATHERWEIGHTS
(Not over 126 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
DAVEY MOORE, Springfield, O.

1—**GRACIEUX LAMPERTI,** France
2—**SUGAR RAMOS,** Cuba
3—**SERGIO CAPRARI,** Italy
4—**RAFIU KING,** Nigeria
5—**RAY NOBILE,** Italy
6—**TERRY SPINKS,** England
7—**JUAN RAMIREZ,** Mexico
8—**HOWARD WINSTONE,** Wales
9—**DANNY VALDEZ,** Los Angeles, Calif.
10—**FLOYD ROBERTSON,** Ghana

FLYWEIGHTS
(Not over 112 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
PONE KINGPETCH, Thailand

1—**MIMUN BEN ALI,** Spain
2—**SADAO YAOITA,** Japan
3—**JOHNNY CALDWELL,** Ireland
4—**PASCUAL PEREZ,** Argentina
5—**MITSUNORI SEKI,** Japan
6—**RISTO LUUKKONEN,** Finland
7—**RAMO ARIAS,** Venezuela
8—**EDMUNDO ESPARZA,** Mexico
9—**HIRAM BACALLAO,** Cuba
10—**CARLOS RODRIGUEZ,** Argentina

Harold Johnson, Fighter of the Month

FEW bouts of major importance took place during the past few weeks, but as we go to press, several title matches headed by the Patterson-Johansson bout will enliven matters. Of the bouts that took place in late January and early February, those in which Davey Moore, world featherweight king and Harold Johnson took part, held the most attention. The knockout of Jesse Bowdry by Johnson in the N.B.A. light heavyweight championship match, brought to Harold the RING's "Fighter of the Month" award. Moore gave him a close race with two victories in non title bouts—the knockout of Fred Galiana of Spain in the fourth round and the defeat of Ray Nobile of Italy in ten.

There was little action in the heavyweight division. Zora Folley of Chandler, Arizona, engaged Norm Letcher of Los Angeles who quit in the fifth round. There are no changes in this division.

Harold Johnson once again occupies the top contender's post in the light heavyweight sector, with his N.B.A. championship. He advanced from third place, trading with inactive Chic Calderwood of Scotland. Giulio Rinaldi of Italy remains in second post. Bowdry dropped from sixth to eight, exchanging places with Mike Holt of South Africa who kayoed Ernie Rocco in the first round.

Dick Tiger of Nigeria, winner over Gene Armstrong of Elizabeth, N. J. was advanced from fifth to fourth, exchanging posts with Joey Giambra of Buffalo, N. Y. Armstrong and Rory Calhoun have been eliminated. Their places among the middleweights were taken by Florentino Fernandez of Cuba, kayo victor over Calhoun and Denny Moyer of Portland, Oregon who were moved out of the welter class and are now listed eighth and tenth in the higher division. Joey Giardello of Philadelphia dropped from eighth to ninth.

With Fernandez and Moyer advanced to the higher division newcomer Gomeo Brennan of Bimini and Charley Scott of Philadelphia got into the welter class and are listed eighth and ninth. Don Jordan, still inactive, dropped from ninth to last place. Dulio Loi of Italy, Jorge Fernandez of Argentina and Brian Curvis of Wales, each moved up, Loi from sixth to fifth, Fernandez from eighth to sixth and Curvis from tenth to seventh.

Kenny Lane of Muskegon, Mich., upset by Jose Stable of Cuba, dropped from eighth to ninth, trading posts with Eddie Perkins of Chicago, Ill. Those are the only changes in the lightweight section.

In the feather class, Howard Winstone of Wales who upset Floyd Robertson, British Empire champion in a ten rounder, is a new face. He is listed eighth with Robertson of Ghana, down from seventh to tenth. Percy Lewis of Trinidad has been removed to make way for Winstone.

Danny Valdez of Los Angeles has been returned to ninth post, replacing Felix Cervantes of Los Angeles who was removed following his draw with Fili Nava. Mexican champion Juan Ramirez advanced from tenth to seventh, following his victory over Kid Irapuato.

In the bantam sector, Hector Hicks of Panama, winner over Pedro Ortiz, advanced from tenth to ninth, exchanging positions with Jose Lopez of Mexico.

The flyweights saw action that brought several changes. Johnny Caldwell of Ireland, moved up from fourth to third with Pascual Perez, of Argentina, inactive, down from third to fourth. Undefeated Carlos Rodriguez of Argentina is a new comer. He is listed tenth, replacing inactive Leo Zulueta of the Philippines. Hiram Bacallao, of Cuba advanced from tenth to ninth.

Here are the results of the month.

PROSPECTS OF THE MONTH

HEAVYWEIGHT—Gerhard Zech, Germany
LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHT—John Canty, San Francisco, Calif.
MIDDLEWEIGHT—Johnny Tucker, Brooklyn, N. Y.
WELTERWEIGHT—Pete Toro, New York City, N. Y.
LIGHTWEIGHT—Les McFadden, Glen Cove, N. Y.
FEATHERWEIGHT—Ronnie Calvert, England
BANTAMWEIGHT—Esteban Figueora, Mexico
FLYWEIGHT—Billy Walker, England

HEAVYWEIGHTS

Zora Folley won over Norm Letcher, 5. Letcher quit.

Joe Erskine outpointed Ulli Ritter, 10. Ulli had drawn with Torner Ahsman, 10. European champion Dick Richardson retained his title beating Hans Kalbfell, 15.

Pete Rademacher outscored Donnie Fleeman, 10.

Cleveland Williams whipped Wayne Bethea, 10. Wayne had stopped Bill Nielsen, 7. Cortez Stewart outpointed Young Jack Johnson, 10. Ernie Terrell stopped Ernie Cab, 8. George Logan kayoed Dave Roy, 2.

Karl Mildenberger halted Harold Carter, 8. Cassius Clay kayoed Tony Esperti, 3 and Jim Robinson, 1. Gerhard Zech won from Jose Gonzalez, 8. Bruno Scarabellin kayoed Horst Harold, 3.

Tony Alongi outscored Billy Stephens, 10. Dave Rent kayoed Claude Hodgins, 1. Amos Johnson kayoed Ocie Chatmon, 2. Bill McMurray defeated Joe Sullivan, 6. Thad Spencer whipped Harvey Taylor, 8. Ray Shiel defeated Tony Smith, 8.

Amos Lincoln kayoed Eddie Jackson, 2. Bill Daniels kayoed John Byrd, 2. Kunu Surefoot beat Connie Lee, 6. Joe DeGrazio beat Jimmy Wiley, 6. Duke Sabedong won from Billy Fields, 6.

Jay Bee kayoed Earl Atley, 4. Elbert Deans kayoed Randy Wyatte, 1. John Hunt stopped Wayne Heath, 4. Don Quinn kayoed Bud Fogner, 1. Chuck Garrett beat Sonny Banks, 5. Tiger Lynch stopped Tony Perkins, 1.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS

Harold Johnson won the vacant N.B.A. title kayoing Jesse Bowdry, 9.

European champion Erich Schoppner retained his title stopping French Champion Paul Roux, 13, Roux had retained his title beating Wladis Kopec, 15. Carl (Bobo) Olson defeated Bobby Daniels, 10.

Mike Holt kayoed Ernie Rocco, 1. Eddie Cotton whipped Johnny Halifihi, 12.

Von Clay halted Rodolfo Diaz, 5.

Kirk Barrow defeated Monroe Ratliff, 10. Yolande Pompey defeated Ron Redrup, 10. Billy Ryan won over Allan Harmon, 10.

George Mahoni defeated Artie Dixon, 10. Freddie Mack won over Lino Rendon, 10. George Price won from Sonny Moore, 8.

Cleo Frazier kayoed Joe Neal, 4. Sammy Jordan whipped Don Bailey, 6. Tommy Caldwell kayoed Jimmy Christopher, 1. John Canty defeated Clarence James, 6. Basil Arsenault kayoed Billy MacLean, 1.

Gordie McDougall kayoed Kid Legacy, 4. Johnny Cole kayoed Ron Riley, 3. Jimmy Hartzell kayoed Ernie Wright, 1. Tom Gererde kayoed Walter Brown, 2. Tommy Sims beat Abe Davis, 6.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

Florentino Fernandez kayoed Rory Calhoun, 8. Joey Archer defeated Don Fullmer, 10. British Empire champion Dick Tiger halted Gene Armstrong, 9.

Denny Moyer outpointed Willie Morton, 10, and Charley Scott, 10. Jesse Smith defeated Clarence Alford, 10, and stopped Jimmy Remson, 3. Obdulio Nunez lost to Wilfie Greaves, 10.

Yama Bahama and Ted Wright, drew, 10. Mario Tarzetti upset Farid Salim, 10. John Smith kayoed Neal Rivers, 8. Del Flanagan outpointed Lee Ballard, 10. John Smith kayoed Ramon Hernandez, 1.

Holly Mims decisioned Ike White, 10. Johnny Morris outscored Paul Diaz, 8. Oswald Archer kayoed Sugar Bowe, 3. Allan Harmon stopped Sugar Boy Nando, 8. Jose Torres kayoed Gene Hamilton, 4.

Dutch Champion Harko Kokmeyer trounced Ali Amrane, 10. Gert Van Heerden kayoed Hannes Wiese, 3. Dick Young kayoed Charlie Cotton, 8.

Memo Ayon kayoed Armundo Muniz, 3. Dave Schoolboy Brown knocked out Terry Smith, 3. Andres Selpa stopped Ubaldo Sacco, 9. Michel Diouf outpointed French Champion Jean Ruellet, 10 (non-title). Victor Zalazar kayoed Juan Carlos Castellanos, 4.

Bill Bailey won over Willie Jennings, 10. Ahmed Sebane outpointed Hector Constance, 10. Marcel Pigou shaded Alex Buxton, 10. Jim Hegerle stopped Gene Burton, 5.

Baby Colon and Julio Carrera drew, 10. Takao Maemizo defeated Kang Sae Chul, 10. Leonard Coleman kayoed Kid Zacatecas, 6, and beat the Kid in 10. Allen Thomas kayoed Willie Moran, 1. Billy Pickett outscored Billy Harper, 6.

Johnny Berry stopped Johnny Pruitt, 5. Lou Gutierrez defeated Tuzo Portuguez, 10. Jimmy Flood beat Perry Hicks, 8. Bob Conrad kayoed Danny Perez, 3. Greatest Crawford stopped Mel Fulgham, 3. Mike Brown won over Andres Balderas, 5. Floyd Ryan defeated Lee Simmons, 6. Stan Garcia whipped Don Bale, 6.

Jimmy Hopkins whipped Eddie Bell, 6. Cal Brown stopped Jimmy King, 6. Joe Lissy defeated Tito Velez, 6. Willie Jennings won over Mike Gilmar, 6. Stan Garcia drew with Don Bale, 6. Murphy Holmes whipped Don Edmonds, 6.

WELTERWEIGHTS

Ralph Dupas won on a disqualification over Antonio Marcilla, 9. British and Empire champion Brian Curvis halted Rino Borra, 4. Borra previously kayoed Juan Fernandez, 3.

Gomeo Brennan kayoed Cecil Shorts, 7. Isaac Logart and Hyppolite Annex fought a draw, 10.

Former Champion Virgil Akins stopped T. J. Jones, 10. Ivelaw Stephenson won the British Guiana title kayoing Cyclone Kid, 7. L. C. Morgan outpointed Willie Morton, 12. Miguel Diaz defeated Wilfredo Hurst, 10.

Curtis Cokes whipped Joe Miceli, 10, and Charley (Tombstone) Smith, 10. Alfredo Cota kayoed Enrique Esqueda, 4. Mauro Vazquez kayoed Beto Gerardo, 5. Sid Adams beat Willie Stevenson, 8.

Rocky Ferguson beat Ike Vaughn, 10. Stefan Redl edged out Manfred Graus, 8. Manuel Gonzalez decisioned Henry Watson, 10.

Marcelo Vargas defeated Hilario Morales, 10. Mike Coronado whipped Jimmy Grow, 10, and Earl Bastings, 6. Willie Ross kayoed Negro Veloz, 5.

Nolan Duplessis upset Tony Dupas, 6. Spanish champion Luis Folledo outpointed Boswell St. Louis, 10. Jimmy McMillan defeated Earl Owens, 10. Don Weller stopped Harlow Irwin, 10. Johnny Gilden outscored Ray Lancaster, 10.

Texas Hurtado kayoed Tony Lopez, 3. Vince Shomo defeated Len Sparks, 6. Boswell St. Louis stopped Al Sharpe, 5.

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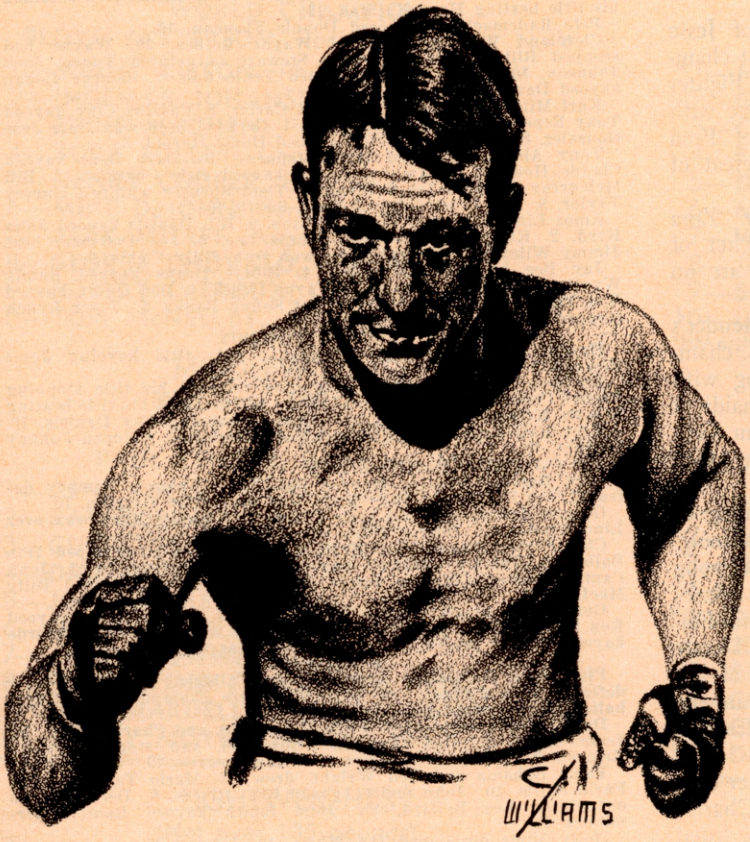
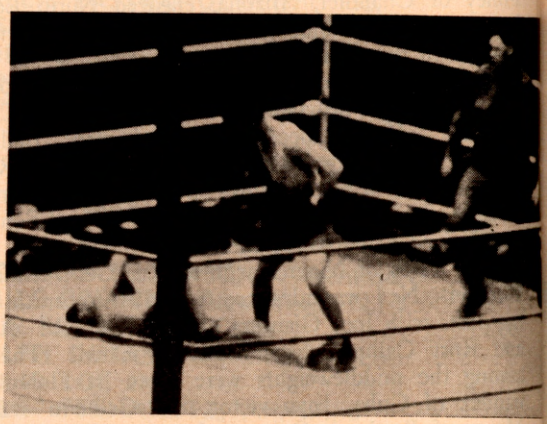
Odds Be Darned

The Whimsical Gods Of Fate Delight In Making Chumps Out Of The Experts

By NAT LOUBET





Above—Dave Shade knocking out Jimmy Slattery in upset that confounded the odd makers.
Left—Stanley Ketchel who pulled a big surprise by knocking out Billy Papke in their third meeting after Papke had pulled as big an upset the previous year (1908) by knocking out Ketchel in 12 rounds. Ketchel won their first and fourth contests.

THE knockout of Ingemar Johansson by Floyd Patterson last year set fight fans to letter writing. The Ring headquarters were flooded with mail, some offering reasons for the Swede's downfall, others tossing barbs at our staff for having picked Ingemar to retain his crown. The surprise element is what seems to have struck home.

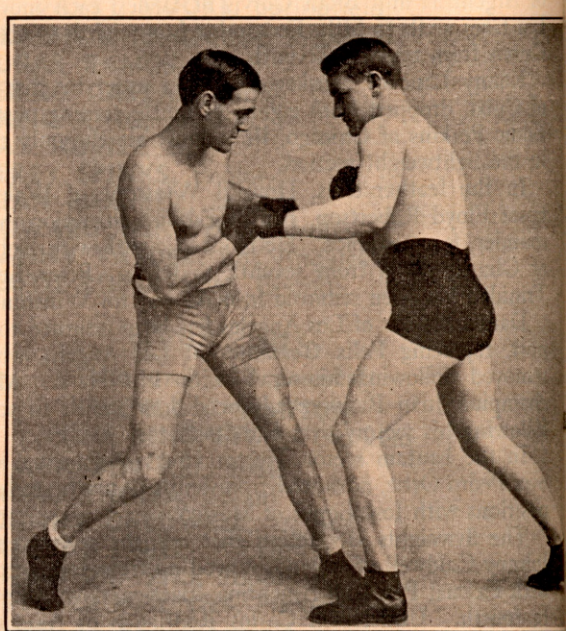
"*What is it?*," asked some, "*that brings about a complete reversal of form so often in boxing?*"

The betting favorite in that bout went down to defeat but he wasn't alone in his suffering. Hundreds of fistic reporters and thousands of betting gentry suffered as heavily as did the Swede. He took it on the chin; they took it either in heavy financial losses or in attacks from the "*I told you so*" boys.

So another surprise finish went into the record book, one of hundreds in which fighters of repute figured. There have been plenty since the day in New Orleans when James J. Corbett set the fistic world agog with his knockout of John L. Sullivan.

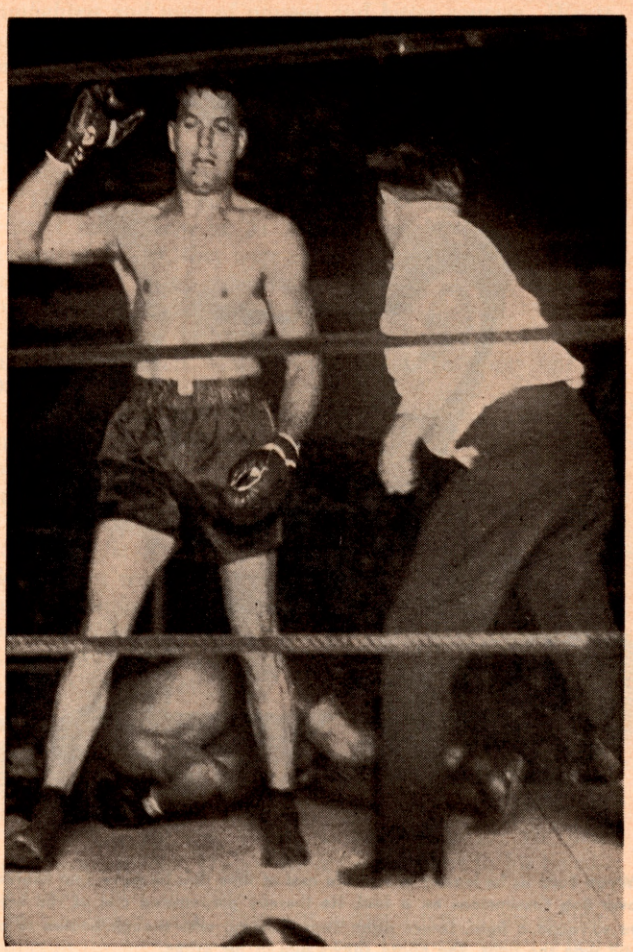
I was only a boy when I got my first thrill in pugilism reading about when the invincible Terry McGovern flopped under the right hand wallops of Young Corbett at Hartford, Connecticut, to lose the world featherweight title on a two-round kayo. Corbett, like Patterson, was the underdog and as in the case of John L., so popular was Terry that his downfall created as big a fuss as did the defeat of Jack Dempsey by Gene Tunney two and a half decades later. After all, it is the hope of the unexpected happening that rates boxing's most alluring angles for sports followers.

Clever managerial steering such as cannot as easily be pulled over



On November 28, 1901, Young Corbett won the world featherweight title in a major upset by right handing the supposedly invincible Terry McGovern to a two-round kayo.

The boxing fans were stunned when Jack Delaney knocked out Paul Berlenbach on March 14, 1924, in the first of their four meetings. Delaney was expected to offer meager resistance and was picked as another victim in the "Oom Paul" build-up.



now with commission supervision, resulted in many more such upsets or form reversals in the pre-commission days. But we still get the reversals or upsets, minus the manipulations. In New York, for example, at the Eastern Parkway when Ted Brenner was matchmaker, we had many as a result of which it became known as "the House of Upsets".

A historic one was recorded in Philadelphia in 1917 when Johnny Dundee was kayoed in the opening round by Willie Jackson. Johnny, a marvel in his prime both as a feather and lightweight, was a heavy favorite in that one and his backers took as much of a shellacking as did Dundee. Yet Dundee, like Patterson in his return bout with Johansson, made up for that one with not one, but many thrilling victories after that defeat.

When one discusses upsets or surprises, he invariably brings in the name of Al McCoy. Al, a southpaw who could absorb punishment but was of the ordinary school so far as ability is concerned, won the middleweight crown by dropping George Chip for the full count. A swinging left struck Chip's jaw and he went out like a wind-blown candle.

Another surprise finish was that in which Jimmy Braddock, then fighting as a light-heavyweight, faced Tuffy Griffiths. The latter, who had come out of the west with a spectacular string of kayo triumphs, was knocked cold in the second round and Tuffy's dreams of reaching the top rung went up in smoke. Seven years later, Braddock provided a still more startling and thrilling upset when he won the world heavyweight crown by defeating Max Baer.

Jack Dempsey figured in several upsets. Those who saw him batter big Jess Willard to a pulp to win the world heavyweight championship will recall the astonishment when the Manassa Mauler dropped the Pottawatomie Giant seven times in the opening round and made him quit during the intermission between the third and fourth rounds.

Jack's defeats by Tunney in Philadelphia and in Chicago, furnished plenty of excitement, the former as a startling upset and the Chicago bout for the surprise element furnished when Jack dropped Gene for the long count which many to this day figure saved the crown for Tunney. His fight with Luis Firpo in which he was hurled outside the ropes but came back to halt the Argentinian was another.

Surprises—they belong mostly to boxing. When they come, the fans gasp, then like a bolt from the sky, comes a round of cheers. A champion has passed along. A new title holder has appeared on the scene.

That's the life of the ring—a piker today, tomorrow a fistic hero.

Two that stand out in ring history, were the Papke-Ketchel middleweight title bouts. It was a great surprise when Papke won the title and another when he lost it.

Few thought that Ketchel had it in him to come back after his defeat. But he did. The terrific beating Ketchel handed Papke was one of the biggest upsets boxing had registered in many years.

The scribes in those days did what the majority of boxing critics registered in the recent Patterson-Johansson return bout—picked the first victor, Papke, as a sure bet. They didn't give Ketchel a chance after the undisputable triumph Papke had gained in their Los Angeles bout in which he stopped the Michigan Assassin in the twelfth round. But a little over two months later, the upset took place with Ketchel landing the kayo wallop on his rival in San Francisco in the eleventh round to regain the middleweight throne.

While the Ketchel-Papke result was a source of astonishment, it was not any greater than when the Welsh Wizard, Freddie Welsh, lost his crown to Benny Leonard via the knockout route in New York. Benny was a wonderful boxer when he faced the lightweight king, but Welsh's record overshadowed that of the New Yorker with whom he had fought two no-decision bouts. Freddie was the favorite.

Welsh figured in another great contest that went into the books as an upset, that in which he defeated Abe Attell in fifteen rounds in Los Angeles. Few thought the Welshman would turn the trick, yet he did in a complete and undisputed manner.

And so down the line, one can name numerous thrillers in which surprises figured prominently. There was the bout between Harlem Tommy Murphy and Terry McGovern at the National Sporting Club of Philadelphia at a time when Tommy was at the height of his career and McGovern had already shot his bolt.

Murphy, a hot favorite with the New York fans, had been traveling at a whirlwind clip, facing the best lightweights and feathers in the country—mostly in no-decision bouts and had a clean slate. He faced Tony Bender, Young Otto, Kid Beebe, Danny Dougherty, Frankie Neil, Abe Attell, Chick Tucker and George Dixon—all top fighters.

Murphy had a chip on his shoulder and defied any one to check him. Finally he got a volunteer in McGovern who had been idle for some time—virtually retired—but felt confident he could subdue the Harlem Wonder.

Few figured Terry's gamble would prove successful. On the night of the fight the odds were well in Harlem Tommy's favor. Those who had come to see the fight came primarily to see whether Terry was still capable of holding his own against an aggressive hard-hitting fighter like Murphy, despite McGovern's long lay-off and his poor physical condition.

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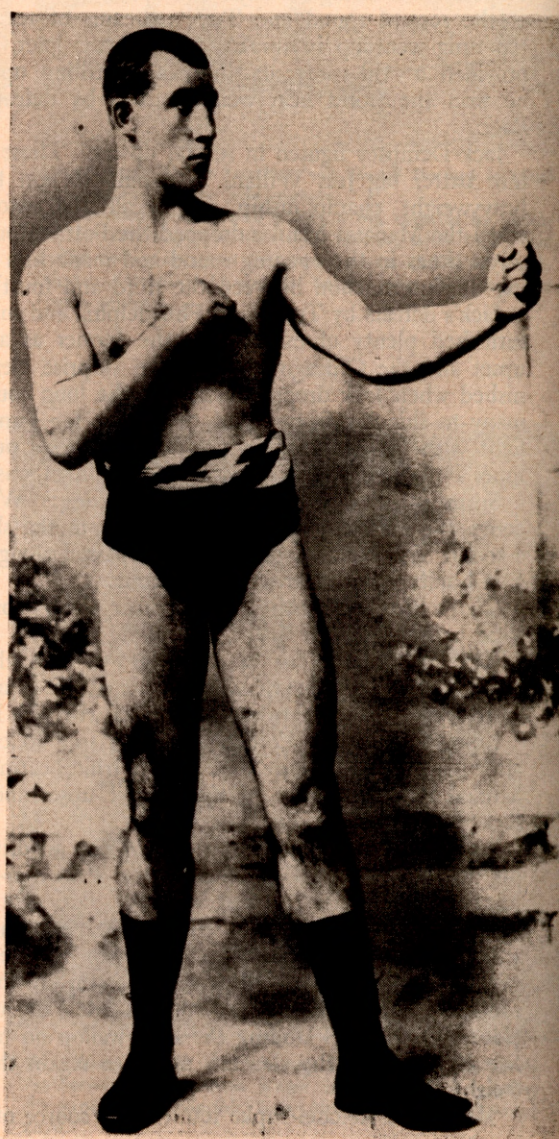
THE RING DETECTIVE

INVESTIGATES WYATT EARP

By DAN DANIEL



Wyatt Earp as he looked in real life and at time that he gave Tom Sharkey the decision over Bob Fitzsimmons on a foul. He thereby perpetrated one of the biggest mysteries to surround a fight. Lower right: Tom Sharkey, who though beaten to a pulp by Fitz, still won the fight. The photo shows him in his prime.

IN the good and peaceful year of 1896, James J. Corbett, who had stopped John L. Sullivan four years previous, was the heavyweight champion of the world.

The ring cognoscenti recognized two standout contenders, Bob Fitzsimmons and Tom Sharkey, champion of the Navy and native of Ireland.

On the night of December 2, 1896, in Mechanics' Pavillion in San Francisco, Fitzsimmons met Sharkey in an elimination.

This fight, one of the oddest, strangest and most suspicious appearing in the history of boxing, ended in the eighth round. Fitz was standing in his corner, unmarked, unharmed, Sharkey lay battered and bleeding on the ring floor, knocked out if ever a heavyweight had been stopped.

The referee leaned over Sharkey, solicitously, searchingly, it seemed. Then, to the amazement and consternation of the 15,000 fans who packed the Pavillion to its doors and rafters, the third man announced that Sharkey had won on a foul.

Much has been written about this fight. Much in the way of innuendo, of suspicion, of veiled accusation. The time has come to say the final word, and to lay this meeting away among the most aggravated cases of skullduggery in the annals of the ring.

Billy Roche, famous referee and boxing writer, who was not in the ring with Fitz and Tom, called it "The most brazen robbery ever perpetrated in a ring."

The Ring Detective's investigation into this mess of 65 years ago, actuated in part by requests from readers of The Ring Magazine whose interest in the referee of the night is very keen, becomes all the more pointed and accusatory because the third man was Wyatt Earp.

Earp lay peacefully in the limbo of Western law man and gunfighter history when the tremendous vogue of Westerns hit television and lifted it into new heights of profit.

The life stories of Wyatt and his three brothers, Virgil, Warren and Julian, were dug out and dusted off.

With the actor Hugh O'Brian playing the Wyatt Earp role, the series has enjoyed tremendous success, and spawned other Westerns, "Bat Masterson", "Gunsmoke", "The Gunslinger", and the "Have Gun, Will Travel" saga of Dick Boone and Paladin.

In the television production, we hear Wyatt Earp lauded as one of the untarnished greats of the Southwest, in Tombstone, and later in Dodge City. We are told that Wyatt Earp is famous in song and story. True, all true.

Famous,—and then he got himself into the Fitzsimmons-Sharkey mess, which now comes under the unbiased eye of the Ring Detective and the errorless view of the ring spyglass.

What prompted Wyatt Earp to give that fight to Sharkey on a foul? Was he right, was he wrong? If he was wrong, what was in it for the former Sheriff of Dodge? What was his financial status in 1896? Was he so desperate for $10,000 that he would besmirch his reputation and become involved in a large hunk of larceny?

It appears necessary to tell something about Wyatt Earp and his clan. Let me take the liberty of trans-scribing an over-laudatory summary from a biography of his heyday. It screamed;—

"Wyatt Earp,—for that matter, all of the Earps,—were gunfighters and men of prompt and bitter courage. Wyatt himself is credited with ten men, one of them his own brother-in-law, Ike Clanton.

"Every one of the Earps had killed his men. They were famed in Tombstone, Arizona, and in the Cochise country 'round about, as qualified to pull and make a centre shot in less than one tenth of a second.

"They had all filed the sights off of their six shooters when I knew them in '81 and '82. Eschewing the intervention of trigger, they were expert in the process known as fanning their pistols whereby a Colt's six shooter becomes for the nonce a miniature Gatling gun.

"Wyatt Earp's last appearance in gun play was in the middle '80s, when Mayor Kelly ran Luke Short out of Dodge City.

"The fugitive Short summoned Wyatt Earp, Doc Holland, Charley Bassett, Bat Masterson and Shotgun Collins, to aid him in the recovery of his own. They reinstated Luke, and he and Kelly divided Dodge City between them.

"Wyatt Earp is game, grim and deadly. He never took water. But he doesn't kill as he used to. Age has cooled his blood, many wounds have brought him caution. Moreover, the communities he honors with his presence won't stand for those gaieties which marked Wyatt Earp's earlier career. Wyatt has grown to like a quiet life. As a result, he has not taken a scalp for years."

EARP WAS RACING HIS NAGS WHEN CALL CAME

No scalp, the quiet life,—and then the night of December 2, 1896, in San Francisco.

Sixty five years ago, Wyatt was nearly broke. He had quit Arizona for San Diego, where he had gone in for breeding horses, on a big scale.

In November 1896, Earp was racing a few of his selling platers in the area, possibly at the old Tanforan track. Then he was approached to become the referee of the impending elimination between Fitz and Sharkey.

Sharkey had landed right out of the Navy into San Francisco in 1895. He beat a few ham and eggers, and then was matched with Alex Greggains in one of those old "agree to stop him in eight rounds" affairs. Alec was lucky to last the eight himself.

The Tar's popularity was mounting. No Corbett for science, but a dangerous rough and tumble scrapper. Joe Choynski next undertook to stop him in eight.

Joe was lucky to last out the first round. Tom belted him with a right to the body and had him out on his feet. The referee decided that the blow had been low and called a rest. On resumption, Sharkey, robbed of a KO, had the better of what they used to call "the milling."

Now they called Jim Corbett, the king himself, to stop the sailor. Jim was not in shape and he under-rated the Navy thumper grossly.

This was a four rounder. The cops possibly saved the champion from a knockout. They jumped into the ring late in the fourth to save James, whose legs had gone rubbery and whose gaze was glassy.

PROMOTERS IGNORED GRANEY AND KELLY AS REFEREE

The brief encounter with Corbett lifted Sharkey's stock to the 1896 IBM level. However, the clever, hard hitting Fitzsimmons, who a few months later was to stop Corbett for the championship, was the favorite, 3 to 1. Mark this down with a circle around it. "Fitz 3 to 1."

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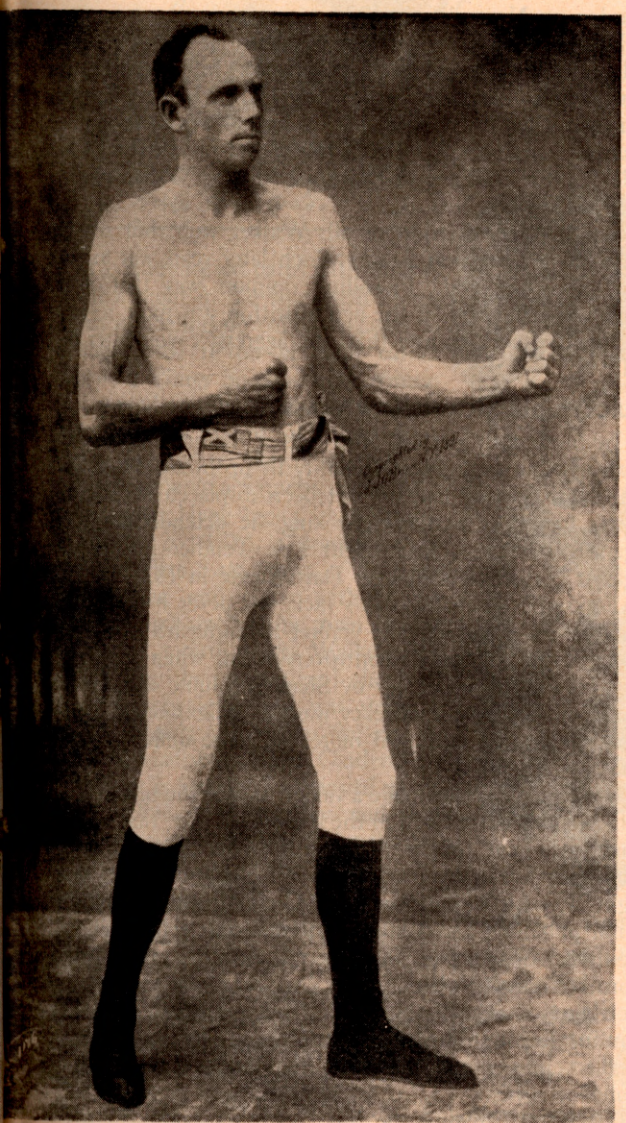

Bob Fitzsimmons, who was on the losing end of what many claimed to be one of boxing's all-time "queer decisions".

By TED CARROLL

Mickey Walker

D'ARTAGNAN OF THE RING

ONE day back in the Twenties, old "Doc" Kearns, emerging from a West Coast movie house where he had just been thrilled by Douglas Fairbanks, Sr.'s electric acting as the dashing D'Artagnan in his classic movie "The Three Musketeers", was struck with a sudden idea. Then as now a man of many ideas, Kearns at the moment charge-d-affairs of middleweight champ Mickey Walker, was at the same time finding some difficulty making any advance with three heavyweight members of his stable of no particular talents.

A great one at substituting ballyhoo for ability, why not dub the three nondescripts "The Three Musketeers", he thought and where in the world could you find a more swashbuckling D'Artagnan than his own mighty Mickey? Contacting a Broadway song writing pal, the good Doctor had a song composed around the idea, got out lurid posters proclaiming his "Three Musketeers of the Ring" and their dashing leader, Mickey "D'Artagnan" Walker.

The identities of Kearns' musketeers have long since been swallowed in oblivion; Jim Jennings of the old N. Y. Graphic wise-cracked, "Kearns should have called then "Mousketeers", but the old Doctor could not have picked a more perfect ring prototype of Charles Dumas' devastating D'Artagnan than Mickey Walker, both projected the image of the happy warrior in D'Artagnan's case a foilsman, in Walker's a fighter. In each was found a fantastic fusion of fury and fun.

D'Artagnan, the peerless swordsman, dispatched his foes while laughing his way through life. Mickey Walker battered his opponents against a bacchanalian backdrop of the "Roaring Twenties" of which he was so much a part. The revelry and riotousness of these tempestuous times reverberated through his career in a fashion which would have delighted the heart of D'Artagnan himself.

MICKEY, THE D'ARTAGNAN OF BOXING

Mickey Walker was truly the D'Artagnan of the ring. A genuine hero not only to the Irish, who found in him the ideal combination of the fighting heart and the happy smile, but to the public at large who pedestalled him as a great idol of the Twenties.

Mickey Walker came out of Elizabeth, N. J. in the post-World War I era, a black-haired stocky, rip-roaring kid with the features of a bulldog, softened by a grin as wide as it was frequent. When the smiling little Irisher belted over his first seven opponents in a hurry, he was tossed in with one K.O. Phil Delmont, a shifty, terrific-hitting import from New York's East Side who in less than a round demonstrated the foolhardiness of the match with a quick kayo of the novice.

Showing a resiliency that was to be typical of his career Walker bounced back and in less than two years after this setback he had blasted his way into contention among the leading welterweights. By 1921 he was making trouble for such superior boxers as the master himself, champion Jack Britton, and wizard Dave Shade.

Mickey had some trouble however with one of the neighbor's children from his own home town, a stylish, refined fellow called "Gentleman George" Ward, whose smart boxing thwarted Mickey's slambang attack on two occasions in the early Twenties. Although he always made the going very rought for the clever ones, shifty tactics continued to befuddle him. A couple of dropped decisions to rugged Lou Bogash and cagy Jock Malone, caused eyebrows to be raised when it was announced that he was to be given a chance at Britton and the title in New York's old Madison Square Garden on November 1, 1922.

Not everyone considered him worthy of the shot, mindful of the Ward and Malone setbacks, but there was one conspicuous dissenter here. Old Dan Morgan, Britton's manager solemnly warned that his fighter was in for a rough evening, reminding the critics that clever Jack had his hands full the year before with this same Mickey Walker in a no-decision affair in Newark.

To the consternation of all, Walker won, but still the recognition as a great fighter which later years was to bring him, was withheld. Prevailing opinion was that Father Time, working against the aging Britton was more responsible for Walker's victory than the aggressive youngster himself.

QUICKLY OUTGREW WELTER CLASS

In those early days Walker was a serious-minded young man with an engaging personality lit up by his ear-reaching grin, and fighting had not yet been displaced by frolicking as his forte. As welterweight king, he defended his crown against once great lightweight Lew Tendler in 1924 and against persistent challenger Dave Shade in 1925.

For some reason Mickey's luck was never bad when the contest was close, and the verdict retaining his title against Shade caused plenty of controversy. But when the dust of disagreement churned up by Shade's voluble manager Leo P. Flynn had settled, Mickey was still champion of the 147 pound class but finding it more and more difficult to make the class limit.

That same year he made a valiant try for the middleweight title against Harry Greb in the semi-final—yes, that's right—the "semi-final" of an all-star fistic extravaganza staged by Humbert J. Fugazy on July 2, 1925. During most of the fight, a classic of the Twenties, Greb's gyrations and whirlwind punching had Walker battered and reeling. But suddenly catching fire in the fifteenth and final round, Mickey cornered the pin-wheeling Pittsburgher along the ropes and belabored him lustily for the last moments of the fight. His rousing finish thrilled the spectators in the prohibition era nights clubs along Broadway, that same evening, he was hailed as a hero.

Greb, also hitting the hot spot circuit himself, is sup-

posed to have crossed paths with Mickey later that night in the wee small hours, and both "feeling no pain," engaged in an abbreviated re-run of their earlier setto on a Times Square street corner. This legend—probably apocryphal—is dear to the hearts of old time fight people, although evidence is strong it happened only as a figment of the late boxing writer Hype Igoe's imagination.

On May 20, 1926, a previous two-time foe, Pete Latzo won a decision over Walker, and along with it his welter title in Latzo's home town, Scranton, Pa. A month later, Walker met Joe Dundee, then considered the best of the welterweights and was stopped due mainly to a cut eye, in the eighth round in Madison Square Garden.

"Walker is through" clarioned sport page headlines the next day, and this opinion was seconded by the majority.

JACK KEARNS COMES INTO THE PICTURE

By now Jack Bulger, Walker's first manager had passed on and dapper Jack Kearns had talked his way into the picture. The shrewd Kearns, suspecting that weight-making rather than any real deficiency was the cause of Mickey's slump, warmed him up with a victory over old foe, fading Jock Malone. Then by some piece of legerdermain, Jack inveigled astute Walk Miller into venturing into his Chicago lair and having his champion Tiger Flowers, defend his middleweight title against Walker. Chicago, then in the clutches of Al Capone, was a spot where Doc Kearns had never been known to get any the worst of it.

The Walker-Flowers fight on December 3, 1926, proved no exception to Kearns' run of Chicago luck. Miller, who figuring that his Tiger would be so far superior to this over-sized, over-the-hill welterweight, was shocked when Walker's hand was raised at the finish and Mickey was now middleweight champion of the world. The same year he had been divested of his welter crown and was written off as all washed up! This was one of Doc Kearns' greatest coups and he profited from it to the fullest.

Miraculously Walker now enjoyed a rebirth of form. Fighting at a strong weight, not even the round-the-clock-routine of merry making to which he

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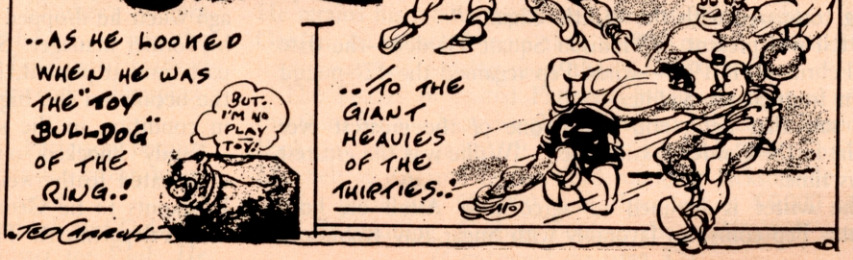

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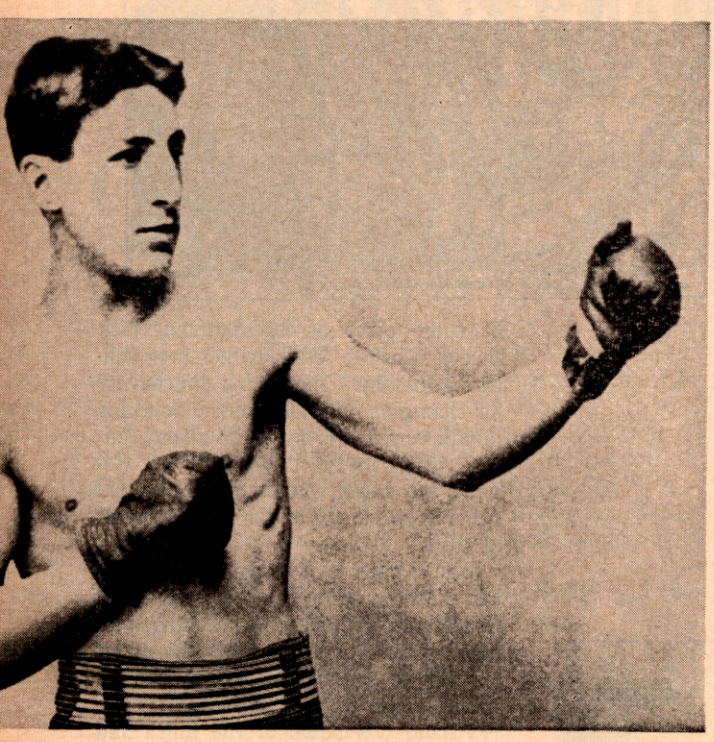

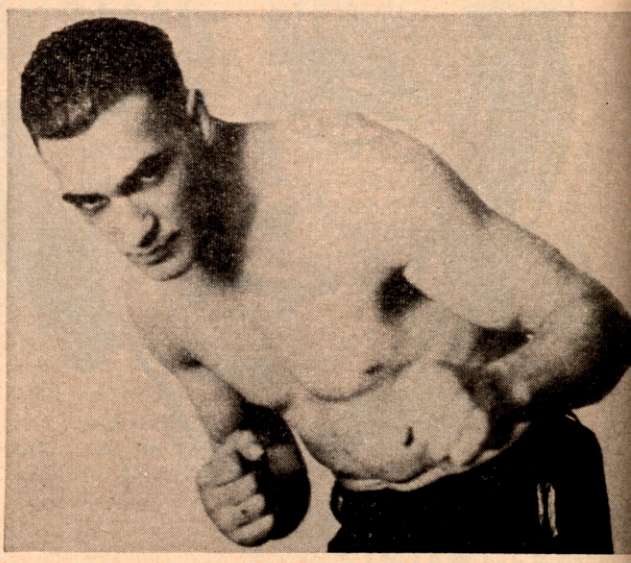

(left) Abe Attell, great featherweight whose ring career ended in 1917. Attell was a master boxer who knew all the tricks of his trade. Paul Berlenbach (above) hard punching New Yorker, who held the light-heavyweight title. His fights with Jack Delaney were ring classics.

By AL BUCK

A GROUP of former champions, seated together at the recent Boxing Writers' Association dinner in the Grand Ballroom of New York's famed Waldorf Astoria, inspired thoughts of long ago. There in one room were two dozen fistic greats of yesteryear. Their names had vanished from the headlines, but they were happy people, and not just so many agate lines in the Ring Record Book.

By chance, Abe Attell and Willie Pep, two former featherweight kings, arrived together. Seeing them enter the room, it was natural to wonder how much would a television sponsor pay to have those two before a camera? How much would they draw at the gate?

"Abe was the greatest," conceded Pep. *"Just the greatest."*

Attell is now 77 years old. He fought his last fight in 1917, five years before Pep was born. Willie never saw Abe in action of course, but in his time, Willie was always being compared with the "Little Champ."

Attell was present in Madison Square Garden—the date was February 11, 1949—when Pep regained the 126-pound crown from Sandy Saddler.

"I saw that fight, and it was one of the greatest ever fought in the Garden," said Attell. *"Willie was the greatest of his time."*

The writer is inclined to agree with Attell on both counts. Pep compares favorably with Sugar Ray Robinson. He can be mentioned in the same breath with Joe Louis. Bomber Joe, Sugar Ray and Willie the Wisp were all at their peaks in the Thirties, and they all lasted a long time.

Pep went all out against the rough, hard-hitting Saddler. He relied on his skills and on that particular evening, "he came to fight," if the phrase can be borrowed from Leo Durocher. Willie was cut and bruised, but he survived to win the decision, and with it the title.

The exciting triumph inspired the legislature of his native Connecticut to invite Pep to speak before a joint session. A patch covered his wounded eye when he was introduced by Gov. Chester Bowles. This is the same Chester Bowles who is now Under Secretary of State in the Kennedy Administration.

Saddler is not to be underrated. We saw him a few days ago when he dropped in at the office of Charley Johnston, his former manager. Sandy is now employed, although only part time at present, by the United States Lines. He rides the oceans on the big liners and helps keep the passengers in condition in the ship's gymnasium.

Sandy knocked out Pep three times and retired as undefeated featherweight champion. In all he scored 102 knockouts to tie George (K.O.) Chaney for all-time third in this department. They are topped only by Archie Moore,

130, and W. L. Stribling, 126.

Stribling is dead, but among those at the Boxing Writers' dinner was Paul Berlenbach. Oom Paul, now employed by Ruppert's Brewery, successfully defended the world light-heavyweight championship against Stribling in 1926. The same year at Ebbett's Field in Brooklyn, Paul lost the crown to Jack Delaney.

The promoter of the Berlenbach-Delaney fight, the one in Brooklyn, was Humbert J. Fugazy. This is the same Fugazy who is promoting the Floyd Patterson-Ingemar Johansson heavyweight title fight at Miami Beach, and who also promoted the Patterson-Johansson battle in New York last June.

Fugazy, a rival of Tex Rickard in the Roaring Twenties, is now meeting the challenge of the uncertain Sixties.

"I'm the last of them. Rickard, Jimmy Johnston, Tom McArdle and the others have all passed on," said the 76-year old Fugazy. *"In the Twenties I promoted a championship bout in every division except the heavyweight.*

"Rickard always had Dempsey and after him Gene Tunney. The closest I came to a heavyweight title bout was the Harry Wills-Jack Sharkey elimination. Tex would never give Wills a chance at Dempsey because of his color. He had trouble with Jack Johnson and didn't want another Negro champion.

"Wills was over the hill when he fought Sharkey. He was losing when he was disqualified. Sharkey's victory got him a fight with Dempsey and later he was to win the world championship. It wasn't until last June that I realized my ambition to promote a world heavyweight championship."

That promotion will be remembered. Patterson became the first ex-heavyweight champion to regain the crown when he knocked out Johansson in the fifth round.

"I have no trouble remembering Berlenbach and Delaney. In their Brooklyn fight Jack was too smart for Paul. He was the better boxer," said Fugazy. "The fight grossed $461,789. The crowd was over 40,000.

"I would have to say my most successful promotion was the Italian Hospital show at the Polo Grounds in 1925. I turned over a flat $100,000 to the hospital. Harry Greb defended the middleweight title against Mickey Walker, the welterweight champion, but that wasn't all. Wills knocked out Charley Weinert, a Jersey heavyweight, and on the same card, Joe Lynch boxed Little Jack Sharkey and Dave Shade met Jimmy Slattery. What a card!"

Greb defeated Walker, the fight going the 15 rounds, and according to legend, fought him again in the early morning hours outside the Silver Slipper, a night club of the Prohibition era. Shade knocked out Slattery in three rounds, a terrific upset at the time, and Lynch drew with Sharkey. Wills needed only two rounds to take out Weinert.

"We drew $339,040," Fugazy recalled. *"In those days there was no such thing as ancillary rights. The big show was strictly a gamble, not like Patterson and Johansson in Florida, where the TV is a guarantee against loss."*

Tommy Loughran was at the dinner—a reminder that he was the challenger in the last heavyweight title battle fought at Miami. Tommy, the light-heavyweight champion, gave away too much weight to gigantic Primo Carnera and lost a decision in 15 rounds.

Carnera returned to New York recently as a wrestler. He retains his crowd appeal and on a wintery night at the Garden, he attracted more than 14,000 people. Primo is a happy wrestler, earning more than $50,000 a year.

The Fugazy promoted Patterson-Johansson fight is only the third for the heavyweight title to take place in Florida. Back in 1894, James J. Corbett knocked out Charley Mitchell of England in the third round at Jacksonville.

The purse was $20,000, and there was a $5,000 side bet. By winning, Corbett became the undisputed world

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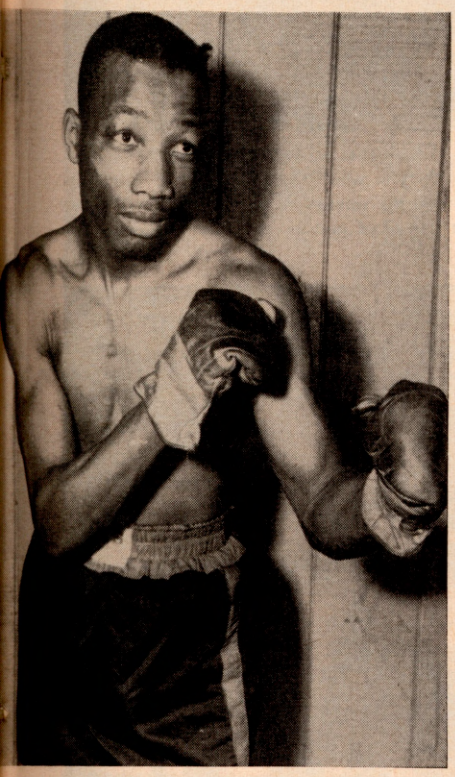
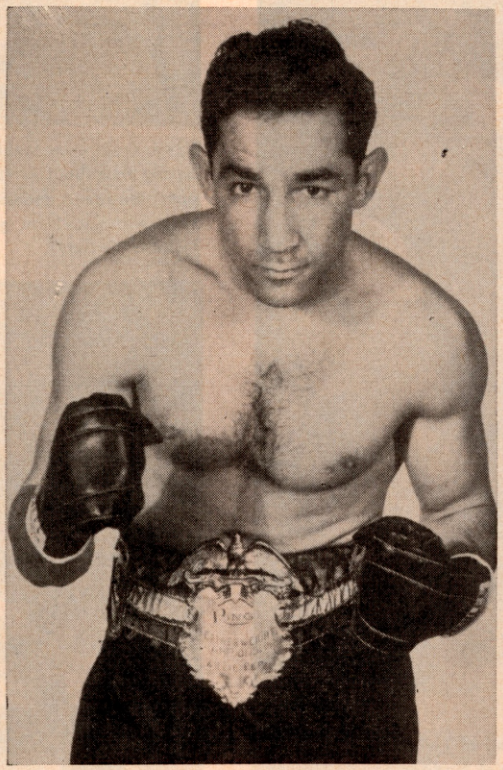
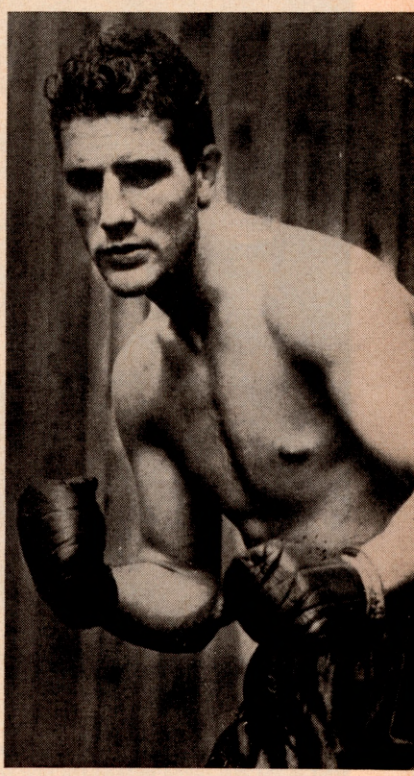


Sandy Saddler, whose reign as the featherweight king was cut short by an eye injury. Sandy was the top kayo artist in his division's history.

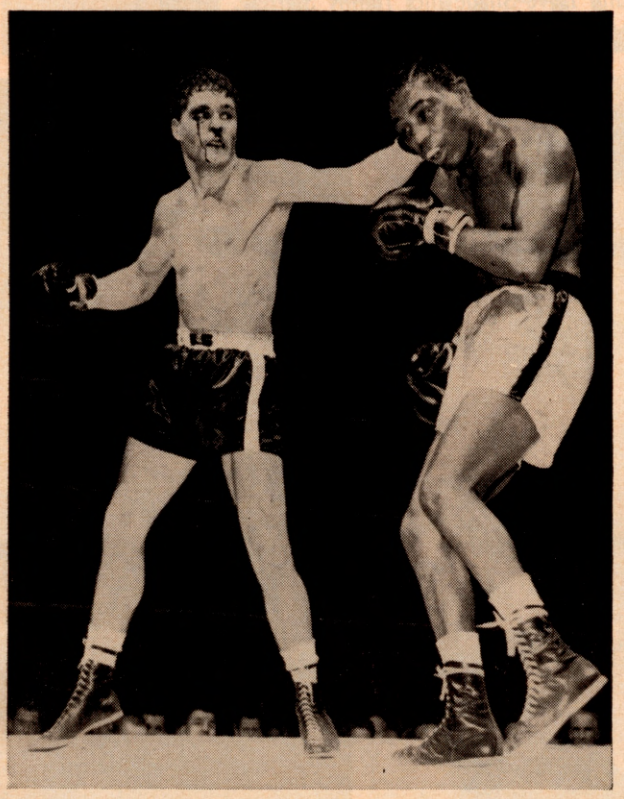


Willie Pep, the classic boxing master from Hartford, Conn. Known as the "Will of the Wisp" he rates among the all-time greats.

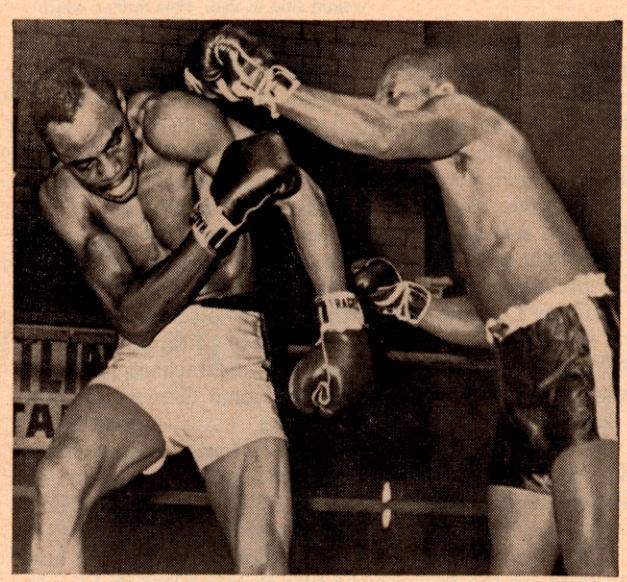


"The Pittsburgh Kid", clever Billy Conn, former light heavyweight champion who came within an "Ace" of defeating Joe Louis for the heavyweight title in their 1941 thriller, which was one of the fights of the century.

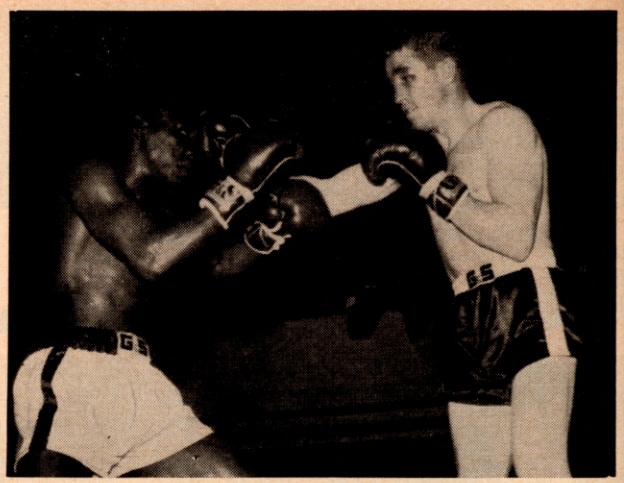
GLOVE EXCITEMENT



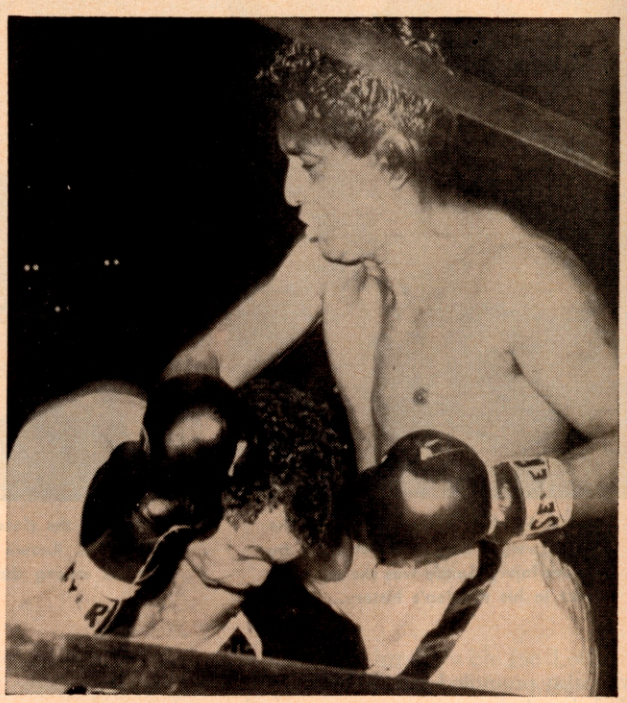
Denny Moyer lands a long left to the head of Philadelphia's Charley Scott in the last round of their ten rounder in Madison Square Garden. Despite a badly gashed right eye and a bloody nose, Moyer, making his debut as a middleweight, gained the unanimous ten round verdict over his 147 pound rival in a spirited contest.



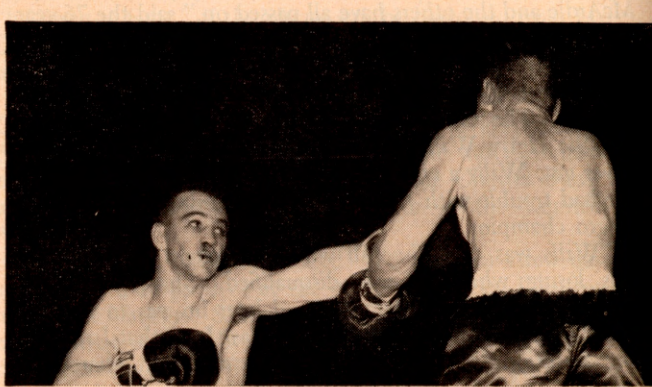
Former welterweight king, Virgil Akins (right) forces the action against retreating T. J. Jones of Memphis, Tenn., in the ninth round in Chicago's Marigold Gardens. Jones, outclassed, was not permitted to come out for the tenth by the referee. It was the third loss in 16 fights for Jones.



Upset Time! Jose Stable (left) moves in on top ranking Kenny Lane during their bout in St. Nick's in which the young Cuban scored an upset ten round decision over the veteran Muskegon, Mich., southpaw. Lane was unable to get untracked and Jose's steady attack earned him the verdict.

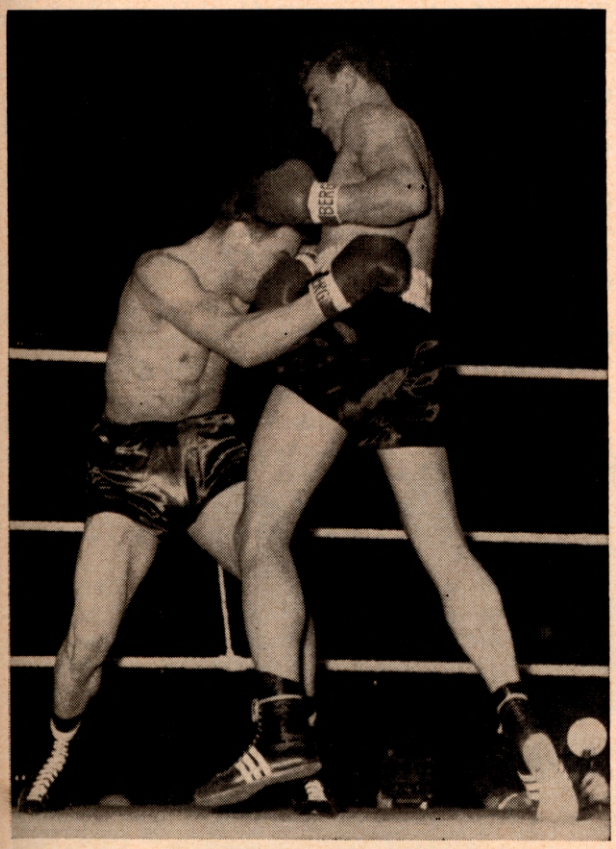


Carlos Ortiz ducks under a right thrown by Cisco Andrade during their lightweight bout in Los Angeles Olympic Auditorium. Carlos was too sharp for the Compton, California, veteran and boxed his way to a unanimous ten round decision.

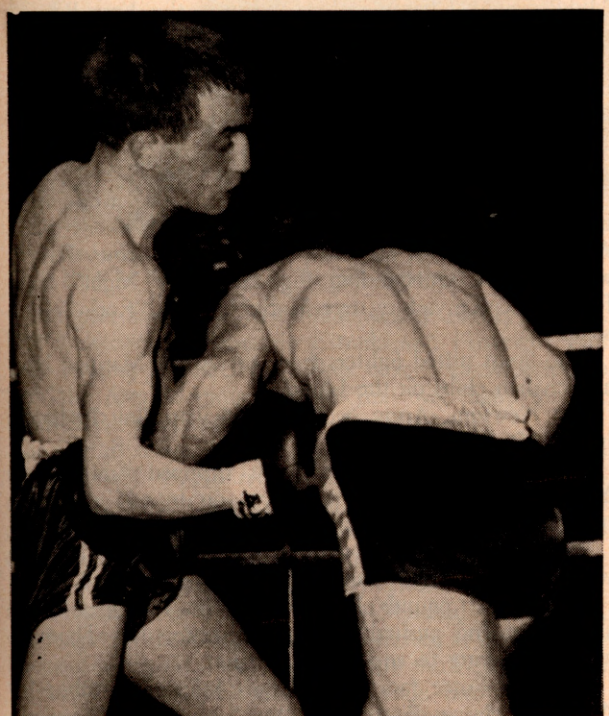


Don Fullmer lands a long left to head of Joey Archer in their middleweight clash in Madison Square Garden. However, Don sent home too few blows and his young New York opponent won a unanimous ten round decision over the baby of the West Jordan fighting clan. It was Joey's 30th straight.

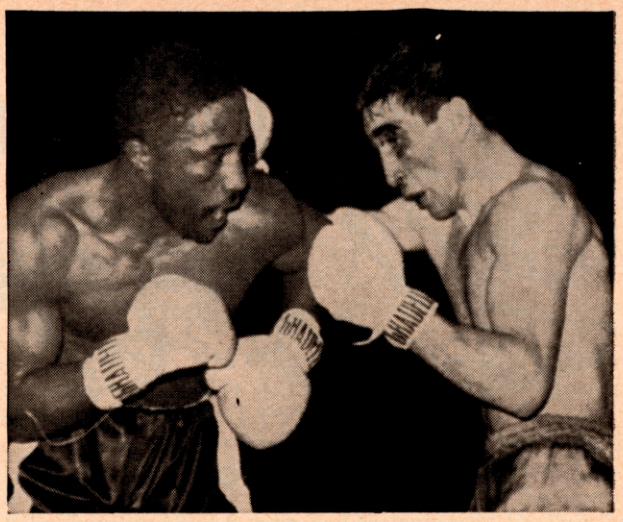
INSIDE EUROPE WITH A CAMERA



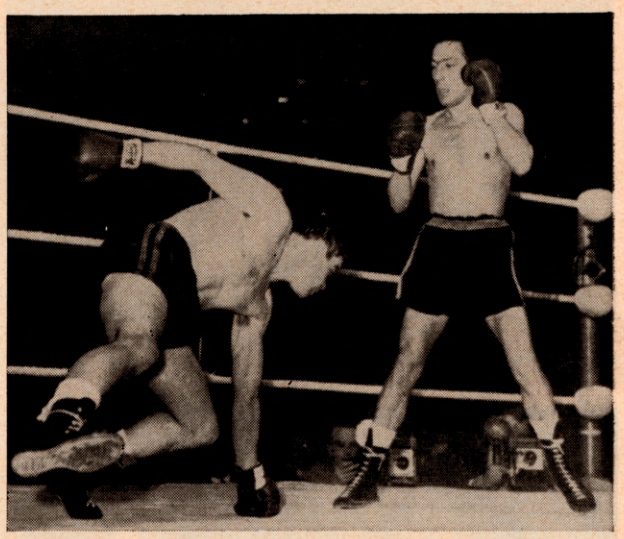
French champion Paul Roux (left) and European titleholder Erich Schoppner of Germany are all tied up during their fight in Dortmund in which Erich retained his light heavyweight crown when Roux was not permitted to answer the bell for the fourteenth round due to an injured ear. Schoppner was in front in the scoring when the fight was halted.



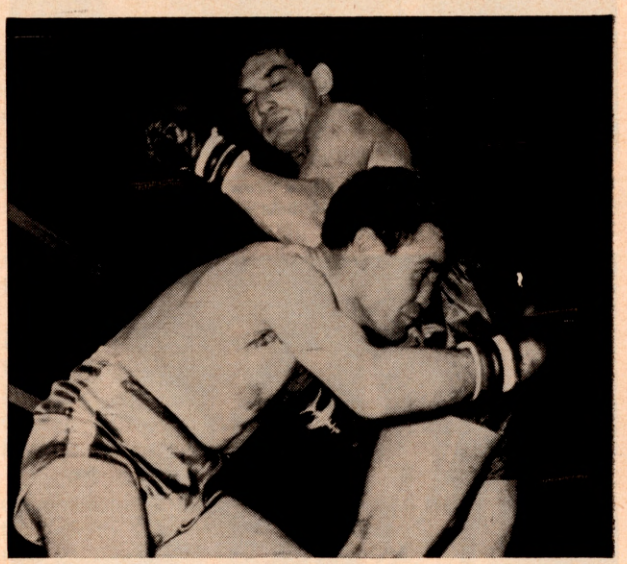
Ireland's Johnny Caldwell, British flyweight champion, drives a hard right to the body of Italy's Angelo Rampin early in their London bout in which Caldwell stopped his foe in the eighth round after handing him a sound drubbing.



World featherweight king Davey Moore (left) dealt out a sound beating to Italian champion Ray Nobile in their ten round non-title bout in Rome. Moore winning his third straight European fight in six weeks, was in command from the start.



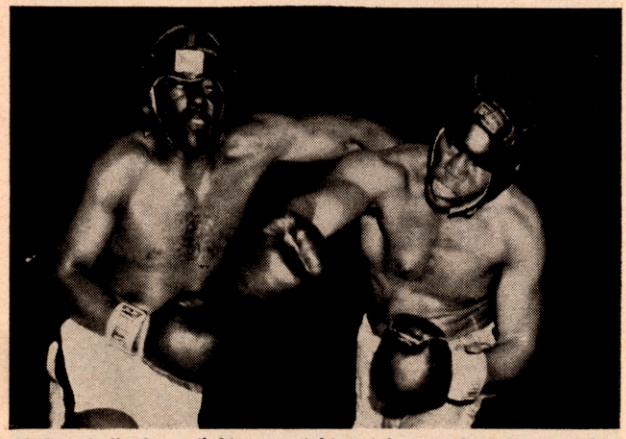
Freddie Gilroy, British and Empire bantamweight king slips to the canvas in the first round of his bout with Ugo Milan of Italy in London's Albert Hall. Gilroy easily outpointed Milan to win the decision after ten fast rounds.



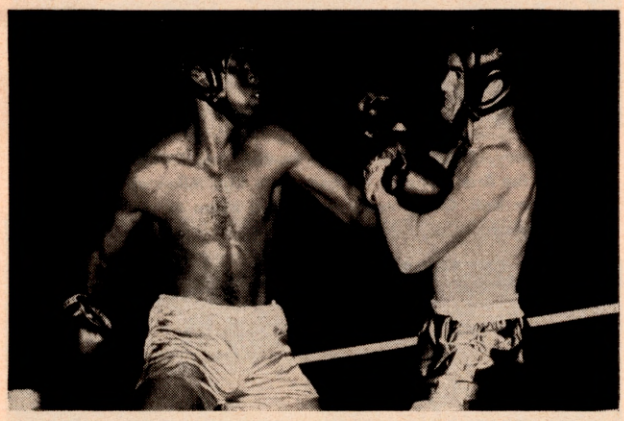
Paul Maolet (right) scored a surprise victory over Altidoro Polidori of Italy when the visitor retired in the seventh round of their featherweight fight in the Palais des Sports, Paris. The triumph for the young Frenchman was the most important of his career.

WITH OUR SERVICEMEN

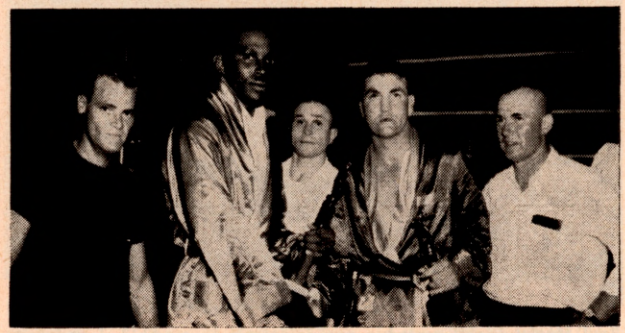
By JOHNNY ORT



Air Force's Jim Lucas (left) gets a jolting right cross from Navy's Otha Biggs during the Pearl Harbor A.A.U. Smoker. The bout ended in a draw.



Huey Haskins of the Navy, gets set to throw a right at Marine Rocky Winstead in the first round of their bout at the Pearl Harbor A.A.U. Smoker. Haskins won the bout.



Congratulating each other after receiving trophies for participating in the most outstanding fight of the evening, are: Navy's Huey Haskins and Marine Rocky Winstead. Standing with them are their coaches.

FORT BENNING, GA.—Among the 15 Fort Benning boxers on the boxing team, five won championships, the others, post crowns.

Sfc Leon Hall, who possesses an over-all boxing record of 75 wins and eight defeats, will be the feature fighter for Fort Benning in the light middleweight class.

Pfc Jack Mitchell, who won the lightweight championship during the Florida Amateur Athletic Union (AAU) recently, is another top fighter. He has won five and lost two.

SP4 Sylvester Howard is the Post's lightweight star. He is the holder of the Philadelphia Diamond Belt.

Others on the team are:

Pfc Edward Rydowski owns a 6-1 record. He is a flyweight.

Bantamweight Pfc Walter Mitchell who had only two fights last year lost both by close decisions.

Pfc Otis Ward, a lightweight, was one of the outstanding fighters during the past unit battles. He owns a 7-3 record.

Light welterweight: Pfc James Honeysuckle, undefeated last year with a 4-0 record, was proclaimed the 1960 Fort Benning welterweight champion.

Post runner-up for the light welterweight crown in 1960 was SP5 Rutherford, who fills this slot for the Fort Campbell team. His record is 7-4.

Cpl. Emmett Henderson, a new addition to the Fort Benning boxing team, capably fills the final light welterweight position. Henderson won the U. S. Army Europe (USAEUR) championship in this division in 1955.

Welterweight: SP4 Harold Butler holds a 6-3 record from Major Unit Boxing competition.

Welterweight: Pfc Walter DeSelle has a 5-3 record in unit competition.

Pfc George Wilson goes into this year's competition with a 2-0 record. He won the Fort Benning middleweight championship in 1960. He is now fighting as a welterweight.

Sgt. Walter Anderson, who owns a 2-2 fight record, won the USAEUR area crown in the middleweight bracket, also the Junior AAU Championship in Florida last year.

Middleweight Pfc Robert Simmons, with a 5-1 slate, holds down this spot on the team. He won the AUU Middleweight Championship and was the Fort Benning runnerup in this division last year.

Light Heavyweight SP4 Melvin Lonas, with a 5-2 slate, closes out the post boxing team. Lonas won the Fort Benning championship in this weight division during the 1960 fight programs.

The team needs a heavyweight with experience.

Pearl Harbor, Hawaii—A crowd of 1,100 witnessed a nine-bout A.A.U. boxing card at Pearl Harbor's Bloch Arena recently with the Navy's heavyweight Huey Haskins winning the "Outstanding Fighter of the Night" award for his decisive victory over Marine Phillip "Rocky" Winstead.

The bouts pitted fighters from the Army, Marines, Navy and civilian clubs on the Island.

Jim Newsom, Army, won over civilian Ray Rodriques in the 156 pound class.

Jim Burrows of the Air Force, dropped Army's Dave Yates in the first round and went on to win a decision over his 139 pound opponent.

Marine Fred Stafford won the judges' nod in his bout with his 165 pound Army opponent Albert Lloyd.

In the 147 pound class, Army's Jim Robertson, butt-shouldered and pushed his Navy adversary Ray Thornton around the ring to cop a split-decision.

The Air Force fancy dan, Louis Johnson, bombed his Army foe Marcus Pierre with "bolo" punches, wide sweeping hooks and uppercuts and gained the decision in the 120 pound class.

Navy pugilist Huey Haskins soundly trounced Marine Phillip Winstead in the outstanding fight of the night.

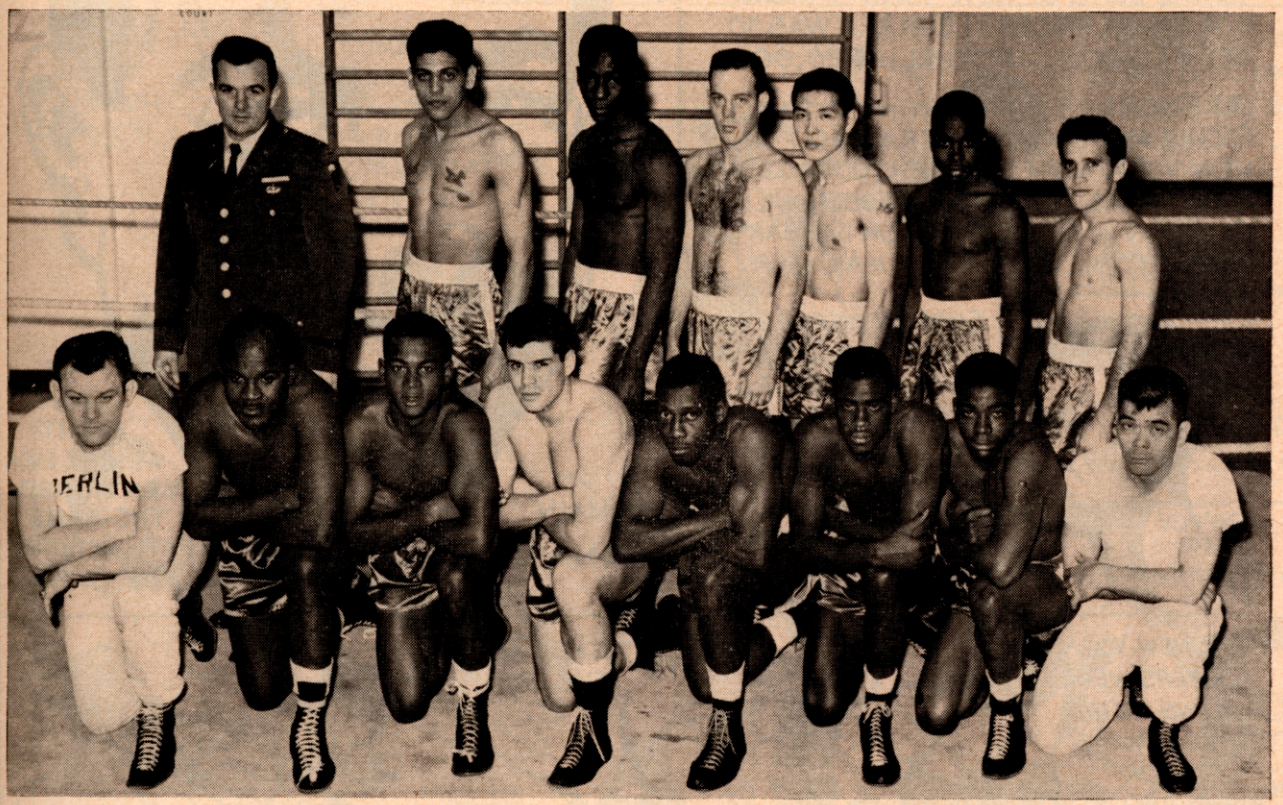
Haskins slowly and methodically placed his punches in the mid-section during the first round. In the second round action speeded up and punches landed heavily.

The third round saw Haskins go "head-hunting" and Winstead backpedal. He often stopped in his retreat to land a few punches but the heavier man counter-punched his advances and won the fight.

Otha Biggs, Navy, and Jim Lucas, Air Force, fought a draw in the main event.

Berlin, Germany—This year's Berlin boxing team is being coached by "Sandy" Sandlin and Akiro Matsuo. Matsuo coached the 25th Infantry Division team in Hawaii and the 1st Army team at Fort Dix, N. J. Sandlin coached the All-Korean team, the All-Japan team, the 14th Infantry Regiment Hawaii and the Area Commands team for the past two years.

Last year the Berlin team had "Eddie Crook", Olympic middleweight champion, as its mainstay. In the past two seasons the team won the Area Commands championships and had four fighters finish in the USAREUR semi-finals.



The Berlin command boxing team. Kneeling, from left to right: Sandlia, Myers, Blackman, Estrada, Price, Smith, Matsuo (coach). Standing from left to right: Lt. Keating (coach), Bernard, Patterson, Johnson, Jackson, Torres, Dance.

This year the team has middleweight Barney Harrell, light middleweight Fernando Estrada and Flyweight Phil Yuen forming the nucleus. They have been selceeted to form the Area Command team that will fight for the USAREUR championships.

So far this season the team swept a ten bout card from the 36th Arty. Group from Babenhausen, dropped a 5-3 card to the Fulda Cavaliers, won a 7-1 card from the 3rd Armored Division Arty. and won 4 open championships at the Bitburg Invitational Tournament.

The team is headed by Barney Harrell, who fought a draw against the German fighter, Manfred Luedemann, who fought for the Reinickendorfer Fueches, at the Deutschlandhalle during the 25th Anniversary of the German Sports Writers' Club. Harrell holds a lifetime record of 28-5, and was the runner-up in USAREUR last year.

Fernando Estrada is a light middleweight who began boxing only two years ago. Sports a record of 18 wins and 2 losses, the 21 year old Californian is among the most stylish ringmasters in Europe amateur boxing circles. A combination boxer-puncher, he is both the hardest hitting and most elusive of Berlin's boxers. Estrada is eying a professional boxing career following his release from the service.

Flyweight Yuen, holder of a 19-4 record, is reputed to be one of the hardest hitting little men in Europe. Other top boxers on this year's unit are heavyweight Wes Myers, 1959 1st Army Champion. The 200-pounder arrived in Europe in November and has fought and won twice. A 29 year old ring veteran from New York City, Myers has compiled a 52-9 record since he first donned boxing gloves 14 years ago.

Featherweight Cliff Johnson, a Kansas City Golden Glover, is still another Berlin boxer who is being given a strong chance to win a USAREUR title.

Other first liners on the squad include light heavyweight Huey Blackman, light middleweights Alvin Price and Jesse Smith, light welterweight Howard Patterson, flyweights Felix Torres and Sam Jackson, and bantamweight Jim Dance.

Fort Campbell, Ky.—Bantamweight Screaming Eagle Johnny Joiner, 23 years old, stepped into the ring in Jacksonville, Fla., recently and within four fist-tossing minutes took possession of the 1960 Florida AAU open bantamweight championship. He also was named outstanding fighter of the Florida AAU open division.

A member of a family with a fisticuff tradition, Johnny is the son of an ex-professional boxer and present day trainer-coach, John Joiner, Sr. A notably successful trainer, John Sr., has coached Wallace "Bud" Smith, former World's Champion lightweight and Eddie Burgin, once ranked featherweight contender.

Johnny won the 1953 Golden Gloves bantamweight championship in Cincinnati, Ohio, and in the same year's Ohio State AAU tournament, he copped the same weight title.

He retained the Ohio AAU bantamweight crown in 1954 and 1955. At the same time he moved up the Golden

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FORTY YEARS AGO.....

By Erwin L. Hess

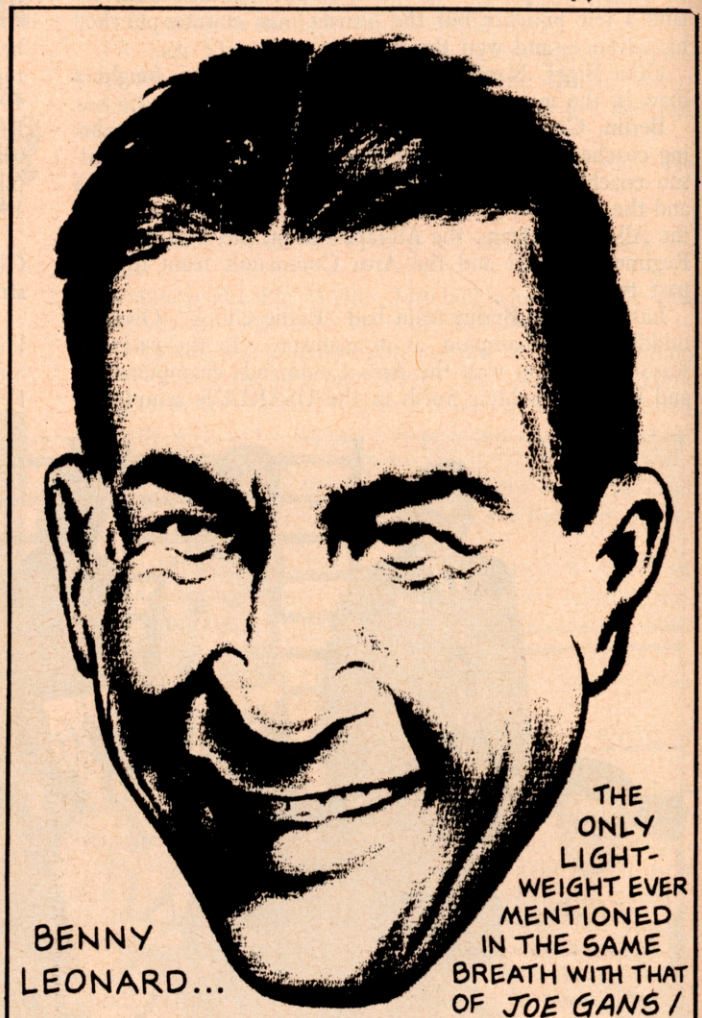
ON THE NIGHT OF JANUARY 14, 1921 ONE OF THE GREATEST CHAMPIONSHIP FIGHTS EVER SEEN TOOK PLACE IN OLD MADISON SQUARE GARDEN IN NEW YORK BETWEEN WORLD'S LIGHTWEIGHT CHAMPION BENNY LEONARD AND RITCHIE MITCHELL OF MILWAUKEE.

MISS ANNE MORGAN, SECURING FREE OF CHARGE THE GARDEN ARENA FROM TEX RICKARD, PROMOTED THE FIGHT FOR THE BENEFIT OF DEVASTATED FRANCE. BOXES AND RINGSIDE SEATS WERE AUCTIONED TO THE ELITE OF NEW YORK'S "400" FOR FANCY PRICES. LEONARD WAS TO GET $40,000 ... MITCHELL $20,000.

ON JANUARY 3 THE FIGHTING MITCHELLS, RICHIE AND PINKEY, ENTRAINED FOR NEW YORK WITH THEIR ENTOURAGE. PINKEY WAS TO BOX WITH TOUGH WILLIE JACKSON IN THE GARDEN ON JANUARY 7. BROTHER BILLY WAS THEIR MANAGER.

BENNY

SHORTLY BEFORE HE WON THE TITLE FROM WELSH, LEONARD FOUGHT MITCHELL IN MILWAUKEE IN 1917, WINNING THAT FIGHT BY A TECHNICAL KNOCKOUT IN THE 7th.

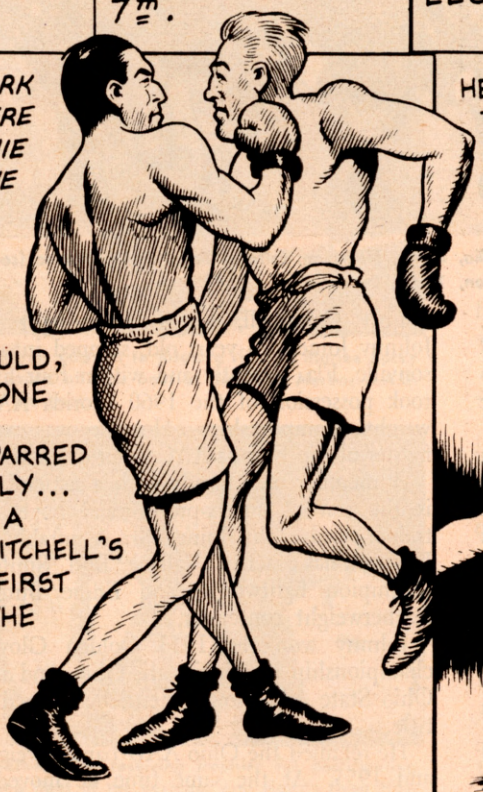


BENNY LEONARD...

THE ONLY LIGHT-WEIGHT EVER MENTIONED IN THE SAME BREATH WITH THAT OF *JOE GANS!*

AND NEW YORK WRITERS WERE SAYING RICHIE WOULD PROVE SOFT FOR LEONARD.

AND... IT LOOKED LIKE HE WOULD, AS ROUND ONE BEGAN.... LEONARD SPARRED BEAUTIFULLY... THEN SHOT A RIGHT TO MITCHELL'S JAW...THE FIRST PUNCH OF THE FIGHT.... RITCHIE WENT DOWN!



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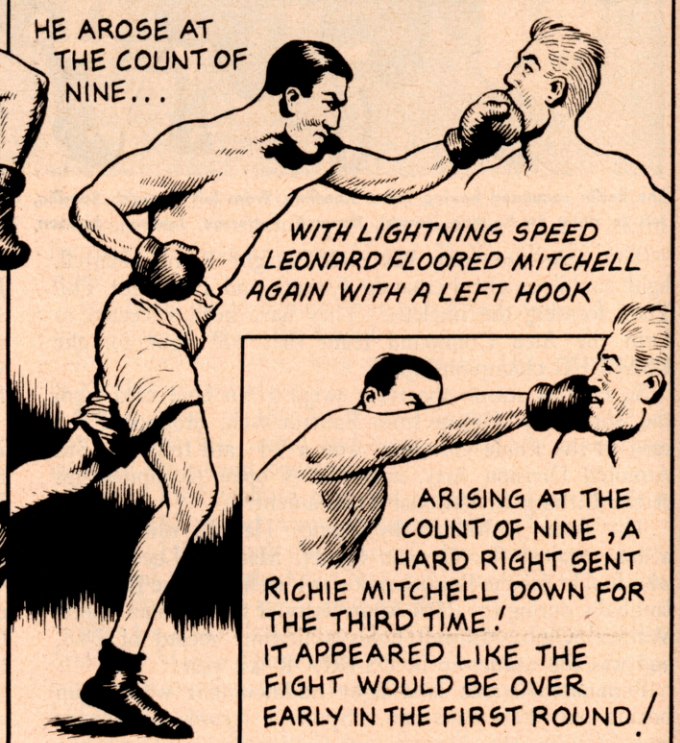
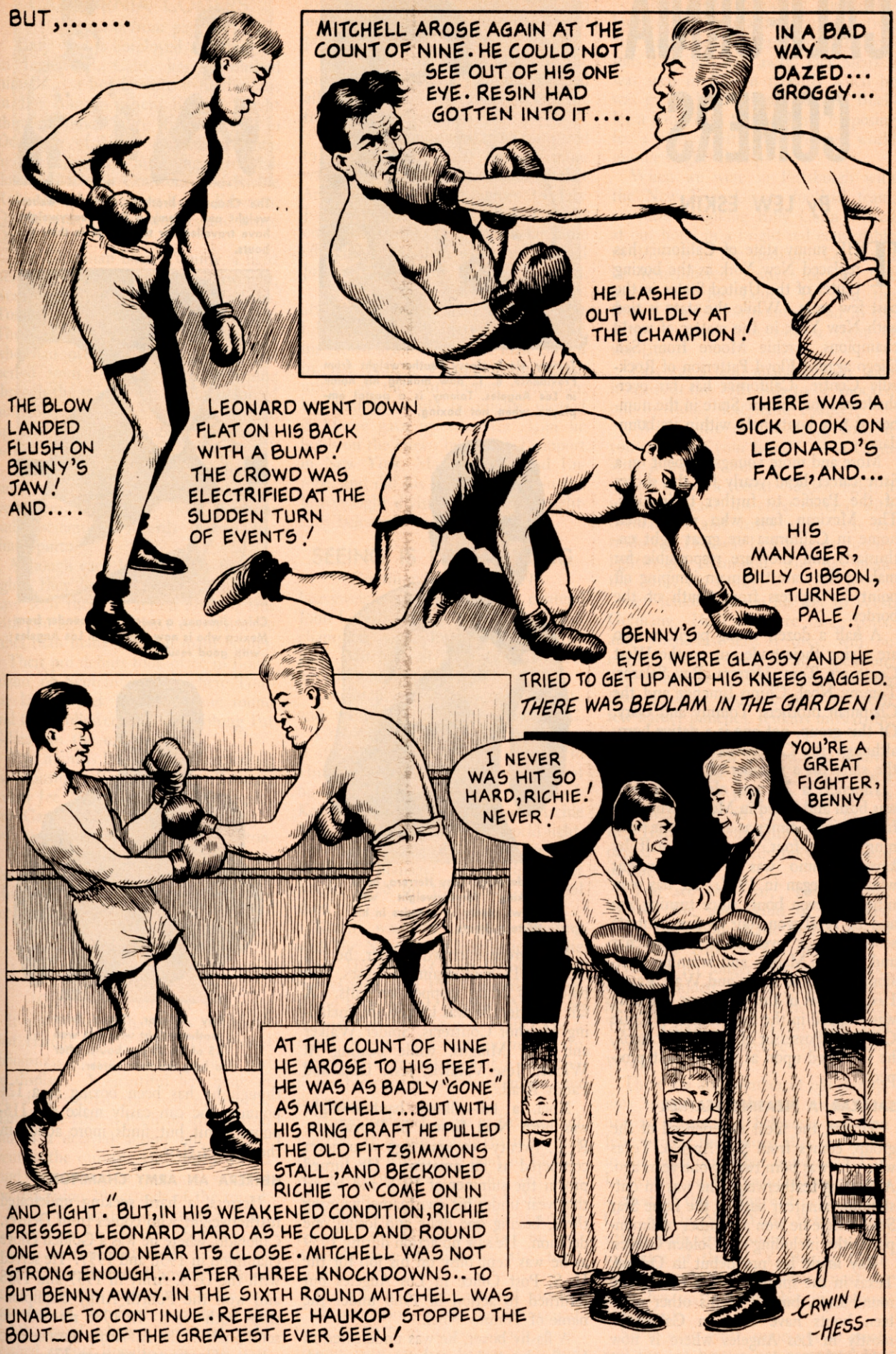


WITH LIGHTNING SPEED LEONARD FLOORED MITCHELL AGAIN WITH A LEFT HOOK

ARISING AT THE COUNT OF NINE, A HARD RIGHT SENT RICHIE MITCHELL DOWN FOR THE THIRD TIME! IT APPEARED LIKE THE FIGHT WOULD BE OVER EARLY IN THE FIRST ROUND!


BUT,.....
MITCHELL AROSE AGAIN AT THE COUNT OF NINE. HE COULD NOT SEE OUT OF HIS ONE EYE. RESIN HAD GOTTEN INTO IT....
IN A BAD WAY — DAZED... GROGGY...
HE LASHED OUT WILDLY AT THE CHAMPION!
THE BLOW LANDED FLUSH ON BENNY'S JAW! AND....
LEONARD WENT DOWN FLAT ON HIS BACK WITH A BUMP! THE CROWD WAS ELECTRIFIED AT THE SUDDEN TURN OF EVENTS!
THERE WAS A SICK LOOK ON LEONARD'S FACE, AND...
HIS MANAGER, BILLY GIBSON, TURNED PALE!
BENNY'S EYES WERE GLASSY AND HE TRIED TO GET UP AND HIS KNEES SAGGED.
THERE WAS BEDLAM IN THE GARDEN!
I NEVER WAS HIT SO HARD, RICHIE! NEVER!
YOU'RE A GREAT FIGHTER, BENNY
AT THE COUNT OF NINE HE AROSE TO HIS FEET. HE WAS AS BADLY "GONE" AS MITCHELL ... BUT WITH HIS RING CRAFT HE PULLED THE OLD FITZSIMMONS STALL, AND BECKONED RICHIE TO "COME ON IN AND FIGHT." BUT, IN HIS WEAKENED CONDITION, RICHIE PRESSED LEONARD HARD AS HE COULD AND ROUND ONE WAS TOO NEAR ITS CLOSE. MITCHELL WAS NOT STRONG ENOUGH... AFTER THREE KNOCKDOWNS.. TO PUT BENNY AWAY. IN THE SIXTH ROUND MITCHELL WAS UNABLE TO CONTINUE. REFEREE HAUKOP STOPPED THE BOUT—ONE OF THE GREATEST EVER SEEN!
ERWIN L -HESS-

CALIFORNIA COMERS

By LEW ESKIN

THE sunny state of California has replaced New York as the boxing center of the United States in the past few years. While the state is tied with New York in the matter of world champions, Archie Moore from San Diego against Floyd Patterson of Rockville Centre, California has far overshadowed the Empire State in the number of title bouts held within its boundary.

More and more youngsters bent on a fistic career head yearly for the shores of the Pacific to further their aims. The Mexican fans who make their home in California are great fight enthusiasts and they are responsible for making the state the main jumping off point for fighters from South of the border.

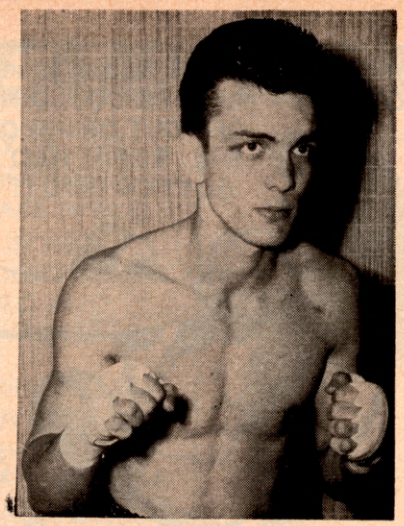
A half a dozen young pugilists who are plying their trade out on the West Coast are Tony Herrera, Ray Salazar, Tommy Noel, Chino Jimenez and the Chapman brothers, Tommy and Gary. Of this group, not one is a native born, although the Chapmans have lived in the state for a number of years.

Jimenez, a 21 year old lightweight, was born and raised in Mexico where he fought eighty times as an amateur, winning seventy-four, more than half by kayos. Chimo was a bantamweight when he began in 1957. He has won nine of eleven bouts since turning pro and in 1960 won four of five contests scoring kayos over Pantera Cardenas and Carlos Macias and winning decisions over Dick Kirby and Walt Varez. His lone loss of the year came when he was stopped in the final round by Ernie Cuadres. Possessor of a sharp left hook, he is looked upon as an excellent prospect.

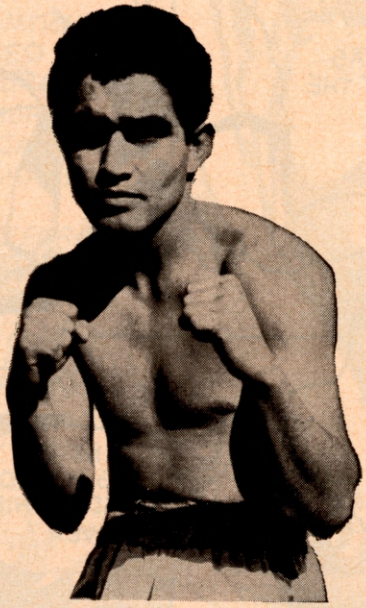
SALAZAR, A PLEASING FEATHER

Salazar, the most experienced of the group, comes from San Angelo, Texas where he was born twenty-one years ago. A pleasing featherweight he was an outstanding amateur back in the Lone Star State where he won a number of simonpure titles including the Golden Gloves.

Ray made his pro debut in Odessa, Texas in the spring of 1959 with a one round kayo, but all of his other nineteen bouts have been in California, mostly in Los Angeles where is now living.



Tommy Noel, classy featherweight from Providence, R. I., now making his home in Los Angeles. Tommy is a postal employee when not boxing.

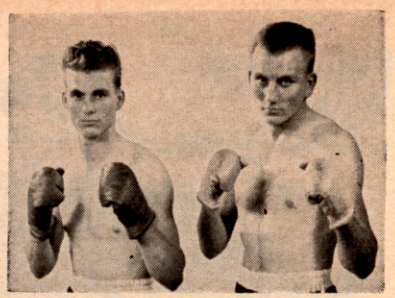


Undefeated Tony Herrera, hard socking featherweight who shows plenty of promise in his thirteen bouts.

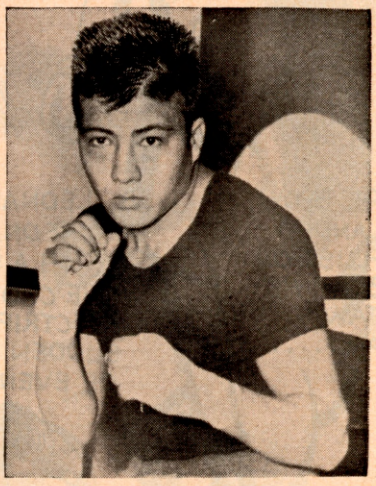
An aggressive crowd pleaser, he has recorded 15 wins against 5 losses, and twice was being stopped on cuts. A fair puncher, he was kayoed six, including Melchor Contreras, Spider Walker and Ony Mingus, while beating Al Wicher, Jose Valdivis, Jesse Leija and Paddy Read.

Noel, a tall-willowy bantamweight was born Noel Brown in Providence, R. I., twenty-two years ago who never competed as an amateur. He turned pro in the summer of 1958 and boxed that year under his own name, winning three, boxing one draw and losing one decision. He saw no action during 1959 as he was kept busy on his job for the U. S. Post Office in Los Angeles but returned to action in 1960 under the name of Tommy Noel.

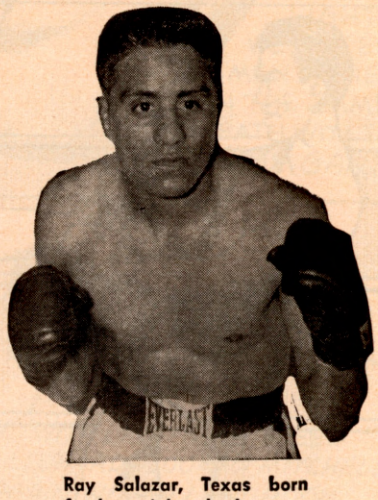
A flashy boxer, he was undefeated in his five bouts during the past year. Although he has been boxing as a 124 pounder, he can easily make the 118-pound limit but finds more action in the heavier class.



The Chapman brothers, Gary, a welterweight and Tommy a light heavyweight, have travelled far to engage in their pro bouts.



Chino Jimenez, a rough 140 pounder from Mexico who is now fighting in Los Angeles with good results.



Ray Salazar, Texas born featherweight who has won 15 of his 20 pro bouts, after a long amateur career.

HERRERA AN ARMY CHAMPION

Herrera, a hard socking undefeated featherweight who comes from Denver, Colorado, where he was a Golden Glove champion in 1956 and 1957. He served with the U. S. Army in 1957 and 1958 and won the Fourth Army championships both years. In 1958 reached the semi-finals of the All-Army tournament.

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CALIFORNIA COMERS

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Tony who is employed as a butcher in Inglewood, Calif. has established himself as a hot favorite with the fans in Los Angeles where he has fought thirteen times since turning pro in December of 1959. A stiff puncher, he has kayoed five including Beto Maldonado, Melchor Contreras and Richie Robinson while beating Eddie Edwards; Quan James, Pepino Morales and Bruce Davis.

The Chapman boys, Tommy, a light heavyweight and Gary a welterweight, were born in Ft. Wayne, Indiana. Tommy is 19 and Gary a year younger. Their dad Thomas was a pro wrestler who had over 200 bouts during the period from 1934-1941, barnstorming through the middle-west. Illness forced him to quit the ring and also to give up his job and he moved his family to California.

The boys have a younger brother James who at 16 is a top amateur as were Tommy and Gary, both of whom had outstanding records among the simon-pures.

Although each has had only two pro fights, they have impressed those who have seen them in action and for lads with two fights, they have covered more miles than many a season main bouter.

Their pro debuts took place in Boise, Idaho, on September 8th, where Tommy kayoed Jack Taylor in one round and Gary followed suit by finishing Pat Gilman in the opening heat.

Two months later the pair turned up in Houston, Texas, where Tommy halted Joe Mitchell in the first frame, but Gary was sidetracked dropping a five round decision to Billy Compton.

Both are growing rapidly. The six foot Tommy will soon be a heavyweight, while his inch shorter brother is filling out into a middleweight.

JOHNSON DEFEATS BOWDRY

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It was in the sixth, eighth and ninth that Harold turned tiger. He showed viciousness such as he has seldom had on display. A beautiful left hook in the sixth started the ball rolling for Harold. It landed flush on the button and in a delayed action fall, Bowdry went to the canvas. He landed with a thud, but was up at nine and survived the remaining 29 seconds of the round.

When the next round started, Johnson went in for the kill, but Bowdry became elusive and with a look of disgust, Harold started boxing again in order to obtain an opening. He was rewarded in the final seconds of the eighth round when a left and right crashed against Bowdry's jaw and Jesse hit the floor again. He fell doubled over, landing on his head and back and neck and his body lay in a jack-knifed position as the bell ended the round.

Then came the vicious attack in the ninth and final frame. Johnson swarmed all over his man, determined to end the fray and he succeeded.

The early rounds were tame compared to the final three. If nothing more was proved by the fight, it showed that Archie Moore, if he agrees to face Johnson in a sixth bout, will have things cut out for him. He'll face a far more efficient fighter than when he knocked Johnson out in the fourteenth round.

Dave Ott, president of the N.B.A. attended the bout and declared that Johnson will have ninety days to defend his crown against the next man chosen by the N.B.A. Championship Committee as the outstanding contender, but that he would be mighty pleased if Moore gave up whatever claim he holds on the crown by virtue of support in New York, Massachusetts and Europe, and did his future fighting in the heavyweight division in which he rightfully belongs.

SEEING IS REMEMBERING

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heavyweight champion. Some contend John L. Sullivan was only the American champion, since his 39 round battle with Mitchell at Chantilly, France, ended in a draw.

Loughran is employed on Wall St., and resides at the New York A. C.

Greb and Wills are dead, but Fugazy is still going strong. An odd twist to Humbert's present activities is that he is again doing business with Jack Kearns. Kearns is representing Archie Moore in negotiations for a world light-heavyweight title fight, and he was Walker's manager when the latter fought Greb on the Italian Hospital show.

Kearns was not in good standing with the New York Commission at the time. His contract with Dempsey had not expired, and the Commission was trying to force the Manassa Mauler to defend the title against Wills. As a result Kearns was not permitted to second Walker, although it is doubtful if his presence would have made any difference.

Moore is almost as old as Kearns, and Fugazy. It is interesting to note that the last big world title bout in Florida was between Ancient Archie and Joey Maxim in 1954. Ancient Archie successfully defended the light-heavyweight crown in the Miami ball park by outpointing Joey Maxim for the third time.

This was an International Boxing Club promotion, as was the lightweight bout in 1957 at Miami Beach Auditorium between Joe Brown and Bud Smith.

While Moore could be said to belong to another era, he remains active, and unlike old soldiers, former champions don't just fade away. Jack Sharkey was seen in Boston recently when he was giving his manager, Johnny Buckley a hand with the publicity by posing for a picture with Paul Pender, world middleweight champion.

When we were in Pittsburgh with the New York Giants football team, a youthful looking Billy Conn arrived at our hotel in a bright red convertible to drive us to the stadium. Conn will be remembered always for his first battle with Joe Louis. He had the Brown Bomber outpointed, and in the 12th staggered him with a right to the jaw.

This was a fatal mistake. Billy tried it again in the 13th only to be knocked out by Louis' left hand counter.

"*What's the use of being Irish if you can't lose your head?*" asked Conn after it was all over.

Just before a recent Garden fight, a master sergeant, his chest covered with decorations and battle stars, was introduced. This was Lew Jenkins, former lightweight champion, who has made the Army his career.

Sgt. Jenkins was on his way to West Germany. He'll be there three years, and when his stay is over, will be eligible for discharge with a pension. The army thas had few better soldiers than Jenkins, and the ring has seen few harder punches. Jenkins missed the dinner by a few days.

Slender enough to be called skinny, Lew had hands of iron. Once when we were riding with the sergeant to Arrowhead Inn in California to see Roy Harris train to fight Patterson, we passed a dilapidated one-lung heap on the road.

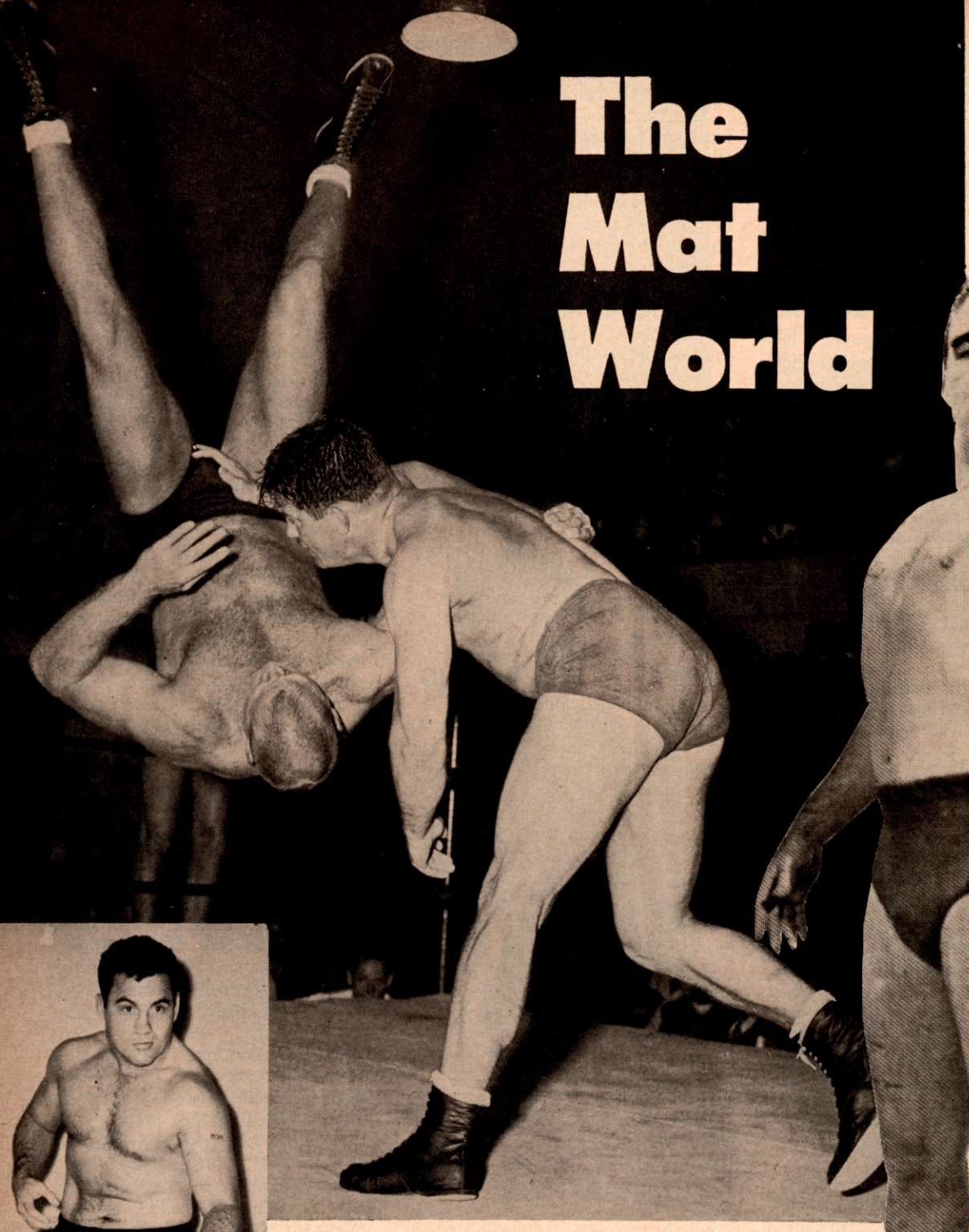
"*You see that car,*" said Jenkins. "*That's the same kind of a broken down automobile Katie and I arrived in in New York the first time.*"

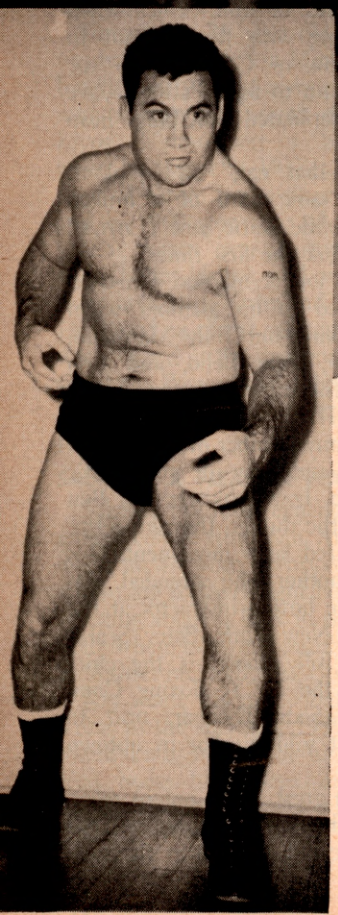
Lew is no longer married to Katie, but she added to his glamour when he was knocking out Billy Marquard, Tippy Larkin, Pete Lello, and Lou Ambers in the carefree years before World War II.

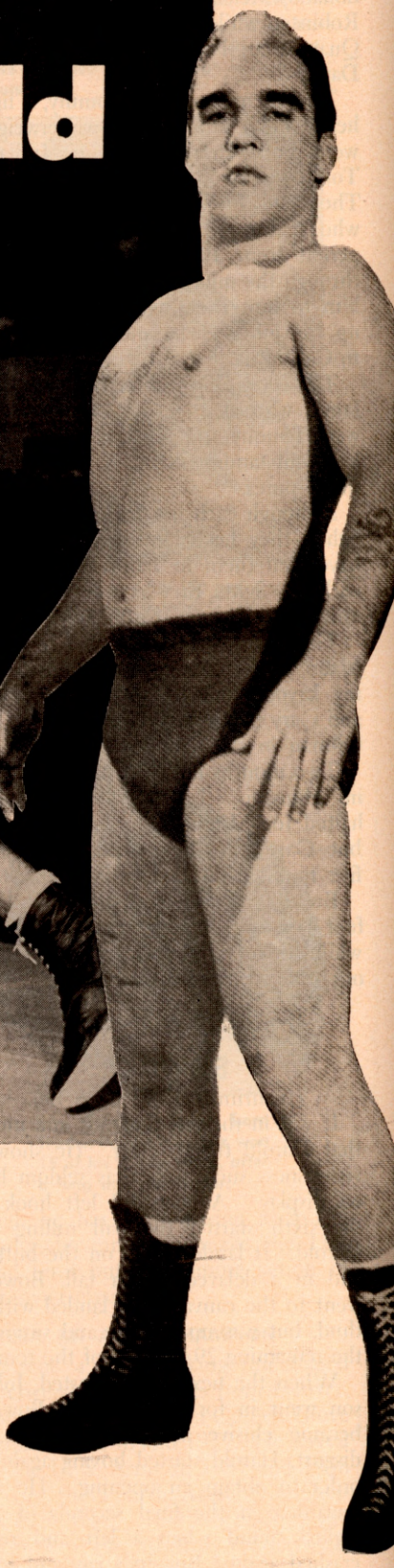
There are any number of old champions around, and they all made fistic history. Corp. Izzy Schwartz and Ben Jeby were at the dinner, they are active in the organized labor movement; Gus Lesnevich, another who attended, was a guest, is the boxing instructor at the City AC in New York; Petey Scalzo sitting with Billy Soose, is the chief inspector of the N. Y. Boxing Commission and Sixto Escobar, next to Jeby, has just sold his bar in uptown New York.

Some were great, some not so great, and the list here is not complete, but they all came out fighting at the bell.

The Mat World





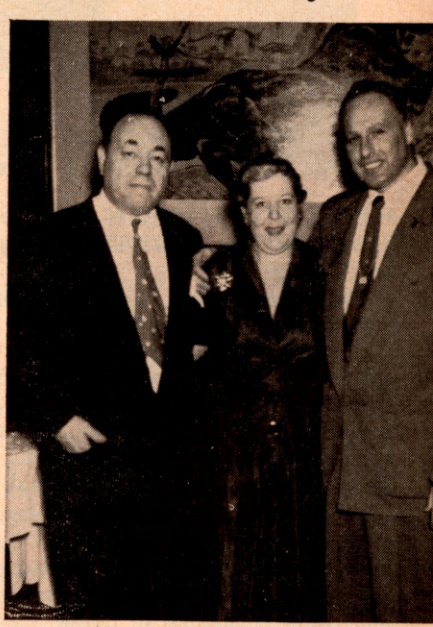


Above—Ronnie Etchison throwing Mike Sharpe at San Francisco Winterland Arena. Ronnie and Mike have been top-notchers for many years. Left—Frankie Cain, one of the newer performers in wrestling weighing in at 214 pounds. Memphis, Tenn., is the place of his birth and he has been stamping his popularity in Carolina rings. Right—Wichita, Kansas, stomping ground of Wyatt Earp and Bat Masterson, provides the U. S. with the colorful Sputnik Monrow who can rough it up with any of them. His style has paid him back with close to 200 stitches in his head and face.

Happy Humphrey, 750 pounds of flesh. In this scene he is on the verge of defeating two men at one time in six inches of mud in the Midwest. That's dirty wrestling!

Ezzard Charles, ex-heavyweight boxing champ, working out with his teacher Mark (Little Gorgeous George) Webb at Cincinnati, Ohio. Charles has high hopes of duplicating the feat of Primo Carnera in becoming one of the top grapplers.

Eddie and Tony Faieta, brothers who give the fans action plus novelty, with a little roughness thrown in for seasoning.



Bette Krieger sends along this photo of ex-heavyweight boxing contender Tony Galento, left, with Mrs. Galento and Gene Stanlee when the three got together at Orange, New Jersey.

By NAT LOUBET

ON AND AROUND THE MAT

WORD is out that Toots Mondt, New York wrestling impressario, has joined hands with Vince McMahon, who has done such a top job in the Washington, D. C. area, and Fred Kohler, Chicago top kick, in an organization to be known as Pennsylvania Wrestling Inc. They will operate over TV channel 11, WIIC, as well as run four big outdoor shows next summer at Forbes Field.

Rumor also has it that McMahon has moved into New York in more than a small way in recent months.

This guy Don Manoukian has things upside down and he likes it that way. He is the possessor of the Texas State championship belt, which he wears upside down. "I've turned Texas upside down and I intend to keep it that way. . . . Anyone who wants me to turn the belt around will have to beat me."

Gene Kiniski has laid claim to Verne Gagne's crown but Minneapolis promoter Wally Karbo refused Gene's claim and Verne retains his laurels. . . . Saylor Thomas, 6 foot, 2 inch 250 pounder picketed Philadelphia promoter Fabiani until the Quaker City impressario gave him a place on a card facing Angelo Savoldi. The next thing will be a wrestler's union.

Judo and its more dangerous and severe cousin Karate are fads that are sweeping the U. S. Clubs are opening in even small cities to teach both sports. . . . Sports did it say? My aching neck.

College wrestling like high school skull pounding has had a boom in recent years. Vancouver will play host to amateur wrestling championships to be

held at Winnipeg. . . . U. S., Japan, Mexico are a few of the teams expected to compete.

Lehigh University, which sports one of the top wrestling teams in America has two of its top men injured, Bob Gunst, 147 pound senior from Norfolk, Va., and 191 pound Dave Angell from Cranston, R. I. . . . Marquette U has been rolling along with a four-one record . . . it's most recent victim none other than Bradley. . . . Michigan State is a hot team to watch . . . has a host of unbeaten grapplers on team.

Good friend Gil "Canada" Smith sends along word that Johnny Rougeau, reported in recent issue as retiring, has decided to remain a while longer among the groaning fraternity due to the pressure of fans who begged him to continue.

Rumor has it that Cyclone Anaya, one of the grand old veterans in wrestling had an automobile accident that may necessitate his hanging up his tights. . . . Red Berry, another veteran, still going strong . . . latest seen in the Georgia area.

Did you know that Yukon Eric weighed over 200 pounds when he was only 12 years of age? . . . Larry Hennig after a whirl at the Twin Cities is on his way to Western Canada? . . . Promoter Wally Karbo, of Minneapolis is up and around again after recovering from a bum leg? . . . No, it wasn't hollow. . . . Seen out Minneapolis way are Verne Gagne, Gene Kiniski, Wilbur Snyder, Roy McClarty, Hard Boiled Haggerty, Nick Roberts, et al.

Danny Hodge, U of Oklahoma athlete and former Olympic hero, who holds the NWA junior heavyweight championship is picked by Ed Strangler Lewis, one of the all-time greats, as a real comer who will be one of the most remarkable champions in recent years.

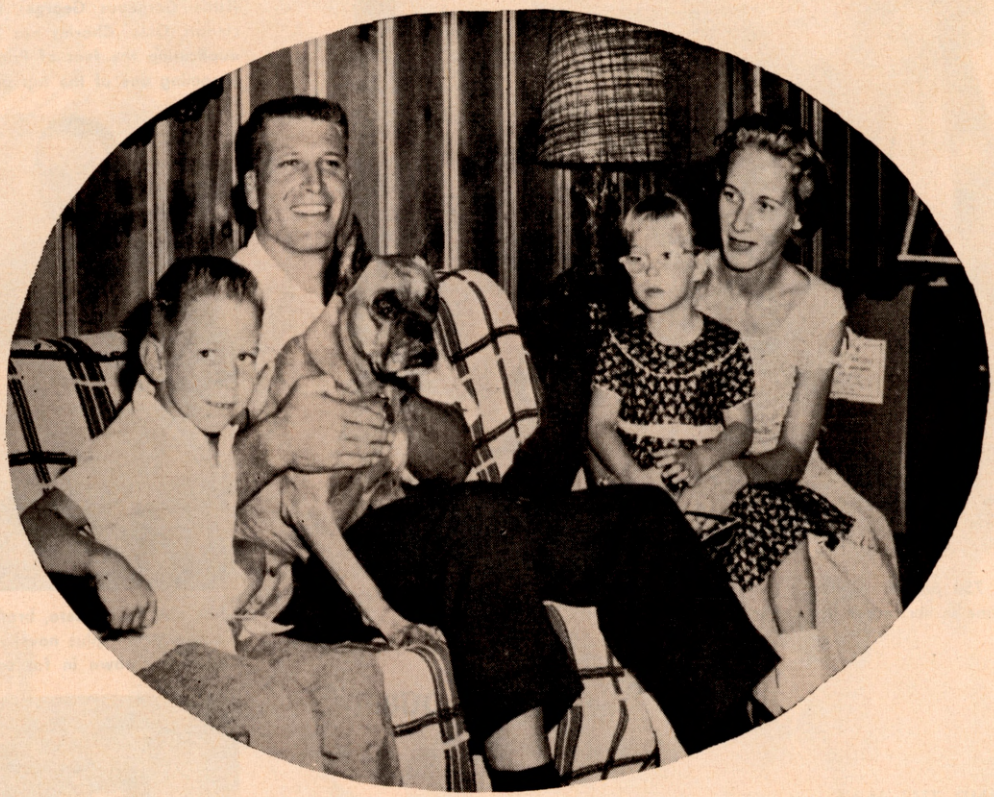
THE FANS CORNER

Karen Henderson writes to invite fans who would like to join an "All Star Wrestling FC". The club will have a quarterly bulletin with news etc of the different grunters. . . . Her address is 3555 Washington St., Jamaica Plain 30, Mass. . . . Word is in that Misses Arlene McQueen and Betty Verlinde of 9009-96 St., Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, that they have taken over the Timothy Geohigan FC previously run by Marlene Green.

Ann Regan, girl grappler, has a new fan club in her honor, headed up by Dolores Venrgas of 7534 Magnolia, Houston 23, Texas . . . the gal would like new members so she can grow.

According to Jay Schroyer he has a fan club for a couple of swell guys that could stand a few more members . . . the guys? None other than Tony and Eddie "Gardenia" Faieta. . . . Pete Sanchez has given his approval to a fan club to be run by Miss Margaret Bowman of 417 Morgan Ave., Brooklyn 11, New York. . . . Miss Diane Devine writes to thank us for mentioning her FC in a prior issue . . . says Red McKim already has a club to be proud of and soon will be one of the biggest . . . those who didn't join early . . . her address is: 435 South Fort Ave., Springfield 3, Missouri.

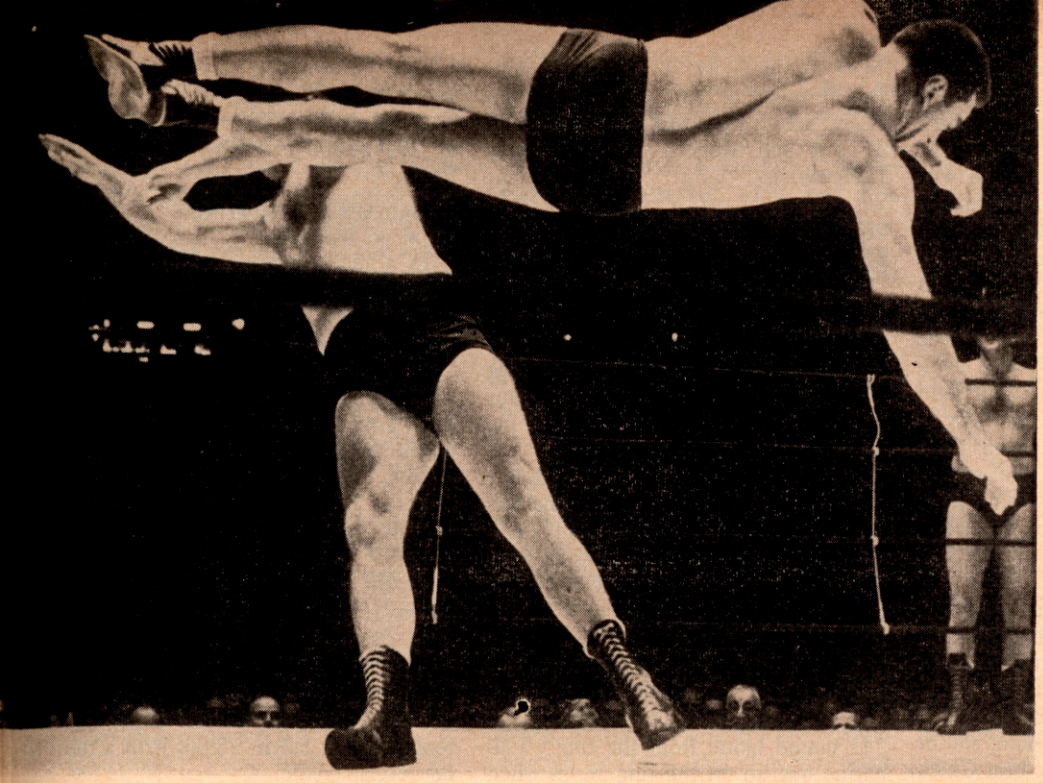
Miss Roberta Sutherland of 2265 Davidson Ave., Bronx 53, N. Y., announces the formation of her Buddy Rogers FC and of course all are welcome.



Violet Smith, a top FC president sends along this photo of Wilbur Snyder and his family. A highly cultured gentleman and lover of the home hearth.

WORLD WRESTLING RATINGS

MEN	WOMEN
1: Pat O'Connor	1: The Fabulous Moolah
2: Buddy "Nature Boy" Rogers	2: June Byers
3: Edward Carpentier	3: Barbara Baker
4: Johnny Valentine	4: Judy Grable
5: Killer Kowalski	5: Nell Stewart
6: Antonio Rocca	6: Lorraine Johnson
7: Gene Kiniski	7: China Mira
8: "Cowboy" Ellis	8: Rita Cortez
9: Pepper Gomez	9: Penny Banner
10: Don Eagle	10: Betsy Ross



This action took place at Madison Square Garden, New York, during a tag team match. Don Curtis has just drop kicked Herb Larsen flush on the kisser before going into orbit. The team of Curtis and Mark Lewin defeated Herb Larsen and Swede Hanson in two out of three falls.

Lady Angel, left, with Penny Banner at a recent social gathering celebrating their success in the ring.

TAG TEAMS
1: The Kangaroos (Al Costello and Roy Heffernan)
2: Ben and Mike Sharpe
3: Lou and Red Bastien
4: The Gallagher Brothers
5: Tiny Mills and Stan Kowalski
6: John and Chris Tolos
7: The Shire Brothers
8: Hard Boiled Haggerty and Len Montana
9: The Miller Brothers
10: Killer Kowalski and Hans Schmidt

WRESTLING U.S.A.
By Joel Zuller

Last month in The Ring I promised to give the results of the Madison Square Garden shows. The temperature in New York City was just above zero mark, but in the home of wrestling, MSG, the mercury hit an all time high, as the interest went over the boiling point. On almost every show in the past either Antonio Rocca or Miguel Perez have taken first place for the largest ovation of the evening, but for the first time in many a moon this reporter saw a show which the idol Rocca tool second best honors. Taking first prize was Primo Carnera, one time heavyweight boxing champion of the world. The Carneras live in a $40,000 home in Westwood Hills in Los Angeles. The boxing champ, who knocked out Jack Sharkey to win the world heavyweight boxing title, team up to-night with Bruno Sammartino in the semi-feature against Dangerous Danny McShane and Reggie "The Crusher" Lisowski from Chicago. Bruno, who claims to be the strongest grappler in the world weighed in at 250 pounds—Primo at 262.

Both teams were in tremendous shape as Vince McMahon brought this match into the Garden for the 14,783 fans who paid $45,115.13. The result of this match met with the fans approval when after 12:28 Bruno applied his famous bearhug on Dangerous Danny who then had to submit. In the second go around Primo lashed out several good rights and combinations to both dirty grapplers and finally dropped on 'The Crusher" for the three count after 3:04 to win the second fall and the match.

If this match was not enough for one evening, here are the results of the other bouts. Antonio Rocca teamed with the blond star Johnny Valentine against the International and U. S. tag team champs, the Fabulous Kangaroos. In the first meeting several weeks back, their match ended in a "no contest" draw with fans on their feet throwing eggs and all other objects into the ring, but their rematch tonight found the fans exhibiting better taste. Johnny had some things to settle with the Australian Champs as he injured his leg during a recent interview in Washington, D. C.

Valentine, the TV champ, used his famous skull smasher to vanquish the Kangaroos (Al Costello and Roy Heffernan) in the first fall. In the second fall Tony Rocca used his famous back breaker on Roy that made him give up. The championship was not changed as Al was disqualified before Roy submitted. According to New York rules a championship cannot be changed on disqualification.

In other matches Pat O'Connor, the National Wrestling Alliance champ, put his belt on the line against the

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German Ace Hans Schmidt. One of the top contenders for the world title. For the first ten minutes of the match it looked as though Hans would take home the belt. But Pat showed why he is the champ as he finished the German star with a reverse roll. Then in a tag team match the teen idol Mark Lewin and Don Curtis came from Florida to appear on this show of shows. They faced Herb Larsen and Swede Hansom, a very rough and tough combination. After a very fast and hard hitting affair of 8:42, Don the older of the team, put a body press on Herb "Cry Baby" Karsen. In the second fall the winners were the same after 7:08 when Mark and Don applied a double body press to both of their opponents.

In the prelims, the Puerto Rican champ Tito Carreon beat tough Angelo Savoldi, former junior champ. Angelo has been an arch rival of Tito for a few weeks but this win settled the score. In the opener Dickie Steinborn, son of former wrestling great Milo, beat Chick Garibaldi, who also comes from a grappling family. The match ended after 2:48.

MINNESOTA WRESTLING NEWS
By Norman H. Kietzer

Tiny Mills and Stan Kowalski returned to Minnesota after an absence of 2 months. They came close to regaining the A.W.A. World Tag Team Championship from Hard Boiled Haggerty and Len Montana. Kowalski pinned Montana for what he and Mills thought was the three count in the deciding fall. When the referee disagreed with them, Mills threw him from the ring. This led to their disqualification.

A six man tag team main event between the team of Haggerty, Montana and Gene Kiniski and that of Verne Gagne, Joe Scarpello, and Wilbur Snyder, was won by the latter.

Gene Kiniski and Wilbur Snyder met for the 3rd time recently in a cage match. The ring was enclosed in a cage to keep Kiniski from leaving as he usually does. Although the cage hindered him, it didn't stop Gene from winning two out of three falls and the match.

Although Haggerty and Montana lost the match they retained their title when they met Gagne and Snyder. Snyder was delayed by a plane and Bob Rasmussen subbed for him. Snyder arrived in time to relieve Rasmussen and aid Gagne in defeating the titlists but Montana and Haggerty protested that they had wrestled three instead of two. The protest was recognized.

Other recent matches include the following: Nick Roberts and Bob Geigle fought to a draw; Verne Gagne beat Cowboy Don Lee; Wilbur Snyder pinned Roberts; Gage beat Speedy LaRenze; Roberts defeated Back Jack Daniels; Lorraine Johnson whipped Mars Monroe; H. B. Haggerty beat Bob Rasmussen; Len Montana and Jim Hady drew; Roy McClarty beat Bill Wright and Roberts pinned Speedy LaRenze.

ST. LOUIS WRESTLING
By Larry Matysik

Neither snow nor cold weather could hold down the crowd to see world champion Pat O'Connor defend his crown a Kiel Auditorium against big John Valentine. Over 9500 fans braved eight inches of snow to see the stupendous program.

Late in starting, the headliner didn't begin until 11:00 p.m. Valentine was late from New York and didn't arrive until 10:00 p.m. Nevertheless he won the first fall from the speedy champ with his atomic skull smasher. O'Connor captured the rough and rugged second fall with a reverse cradle. In the third fall Pat unleashed a devastating attack of kangaroo kicks, knocking the 242 pound blond from the ring. Valentine was up on the ring apron when O'Connor hit him with a tremendous drop kick, knocking him from the ring and injuring him so he couldn't continue.

In the semi-final the murderous team of Gene Kiniski and Wladek "Killer" Kowalski went over the Ring's hero of the year, "Cowboy" Bob Ellis, and Wilbur Snyder. Snyder pinned Kiniski for the first fall, and the K boys used knee drops to win the second fall over Wilbur. In the third fall their murder tactics got out of hand and Ellis entered the ring in a frenzy. He wildly attacked everyone in sight, including the referees and even Snyder when he tried to hold Bob, earning an unpopular disqualification.

Other matches saw Lorraine Johnson and Millie Stafford in a sizzling draw, Rip Hawk pinned Johnny Weaver in a grudge battle, popular John Paul Henning made a fine comeback to pin 300 pound Rocky Lee, and in the opener Stan Stasiak pinned Joe Hamilton.

The other Kiel card also had about six inches of snow up against it, but over 5000 fans came to see Buddy Rogers and Johnny Valentine win the headliner from "Cowboy" Bob Ellis and John Paul Henning. Ellis and Rogers traded falls, and Valentine won the final fall from Henning. Thor Hagen and Johnny Weaver won a handicap bout from Rip Hawk, Sonny Myers beat Hans Von Goring by a disqualification, Taro Myaki pinned Jim LaRock with a sleeper, Ray Gordon and Stan Stasiak drew, and Joe Hamilton took the open from Carlos Rodriguez.

Through 1960 the St. Louis Wrestling Club shows drew an average of 8691 fans with big crowds of 12,459, 11,681, and 11,501.

Any information on wrestling in southern Illinois and Missouri would be appreciated. Send it to this writer at 204 South 11th St., Belleville, Illinois.

PHILADELPHIA GRAPPLING
By M. J. Wetmore

In a recent wrestling show held at the Philadelphia Convention Hall, the largest crowd of the year, close to 10,000 mat fans, were in attendance.

The main event was one of the most sought-after, if not the most sought-after attraction in the mat world. It pitted World Champion Pat O'Connor against the one and only Antonino Rocca. The champion scaled 237 pounds to 228 pounds for the challenger.

It was a rare experience to watch the two masters work on each other, with the champion matching his all-around skill against Rocca's leg work. O'Connor was finally able to go behind Rocca as he came off the ropes, and took the first fall in 32:00, with a rolling reverse cradle.

The second fall saw the action get rougher as the pro-Rocca crowd worked itself up to a fever pitch. After 11:17 Rocca took the fall with a series of hip locks and a body press.

In the third fall, Rocca attempted to put his famous backbreaker on the champion but O'Connor was able to fight back every time, until the time limit expired and the match was declared a draw with O'Connor retaining his title.

The Jamaican Giant, Bearcat Wright, 268, Kingston, Jamaica, won by disqualification over "The Crusher," better known as Riotous Reggie Lisowski, 248, Milwaukee, when the Crusher refused to stop choking Bearcat with the ropes, which had come undone after a series of whips. The short bout (3:28) was marked by extremely rough action.

Former U. S. champions, Red and Lou Bastien, 440 pounds combined, Minneapolis, easily won two straight falls from the disorganized team of Karl Von Hess, 222, Germany, and Angelo Savoldi, 226 of Parsippany, N. J. The Von Hess-Savoldi duo were disqualified on the first fall and Red Bastien pinned the bewildered former junior heavyweight champion in 7:24 was his famous "atomic drop".

In a special midget bout, the ever popular team of Brown Panther, 94 pounds, Philadelphia, and Pancho Lopez (also called Red Feather), 96 pounds, of Mexico, defeated Sky Low Low, 97 pounds, of Montreal, and Irish Jackie, 93 pounds, of Hollywood. The latter team won the first fall, with Low pinning the Panther with a leap off the top rope in 13:30. Although badly hurt, the Panther started the second fall and carried the fight to his opponents. After the situation was in con-

trol, the Panther-Lopez team started their famous comedy including knocking 330-pound referee, Al Getson, all over the mat, and hitting him and their opponents with their slippers. The Panther pinned the bedraggled Irish Jackie in 5:16 with an airplane spin. The third fall was much like the second with the "barefoot boys" again doing their great comedy and unique wrestling, featuring boomerangs, fling skull butts, drop kicks, and piledrivers. After a frenzied drop kicking contest, Lopez pinned Low with a tremendous running body slam. Lopez and Panther are the most popular of the mighty mites to appear here.

In preliminaries, Bruno Sammartino, 265, Abruzzi, Italy, was far too much for the veteran, Arnold Skoaland, 233, White Plains, N. Y., and forced him to submit to a bear hug in 7:27. Tito Carreon, 214, Puerto Rico, won the opener, with a reverse full-nelson, and a rather quick count, by veteran referee, Tom Finley, over Chet Wallich, 234, Hollywood. Time—7:32.

On another card, Promoter Ray Fabini, moved the action uptown to The Arena. Besides the card, a special feature was the appearance of Art "Sailor" Thomas seen by many on television from Washington, D. C., over WNEW, New York. The huge Merchant Mariner was wearing a sign saying "Fabini Unfair", and climbed into the ring to challenge world champion Pat O'Connor and challenger, Sweet Daddy Siki. Thomas is much bigger than these two, but his experience is very spotty. Time only will tell of his success.

The main event, as I have already mentioned, featured Sweet Daddy Siki, 229, Kingston, Jamaica, Challenger, vs World Champion Pat O'Connor, 237, Wellington, New Zealand and Chicago. This match was even greater than the O'Connor-Rocca match, being very rough, but very clean. Both men showed a particular talent for "head hunting", with Siki being especially good in this department, with his head butts, etc. O'Connor was able to win with the same maneuver which pinned Rocca, the rolling reverse cradle, which followed a vicious exchange of tackles. The time of the one-fall match was an incredible 58:14. The victorious O'Connor is obviously unpopular in Philadelphia, and I am at loss to explain it.

In another title bout, Buddy "Nature Boy" Rogers, 238, Columbus, Ohio, and Haddonfield, N. J., defeated Haystack Calhoun, 601, Morgan Corners, Ark., in 6:30, to remain U. S. Champion. He dropkicked the groggy Calhoun from the back, causing the enormous man to fall through the ropes and injure himself so that he was not able to beat the count.

The Bastien Bros., Lou and Red, won two quick but rugged falls from Lou Albano, 253, Mt. Vernon, New York, and Tony Altemore, 240, Stamford, Conn. Lou Bastien pinned Albano in 4:11 for the first fall, while Red took Altemore in 35 seconds. Both falls were achieved with the "Atomic Drop".

Four new midgets appeared on the card, with Tiny Bell, 92 pounds, New York, and Marcel Semart, 96 pounds, Chicago, defeating Pee Wee Lopez, 100 pounds, Mexico, and Farmer Mcgruder, 93 pounds, St. Louis, in two out of three falls. Lopez launched an attack worthy of a Kowalski, to take the first fall in 3:06, with a series of body slams on Bell. The losing team retaliated by battering Mcgruder until he was pinned in 4:10. The third fall also went to Bell and Semart with the latter pinning Lopez with dropkicks in 12:37.

Two one-fall matches completed the card. Johnny Valentine, 246, Seattle, defeated Billy Darnell, 218, Philadelphia, in 17:35. Valentine was much cleaner than usual, but he did conduct a ruthless attack on Darnell's bandaged arm. Darnell lost when he attempted a dropkick on the TV Champion from the ring apron, and missed and was pinned. After giving a great account of himself as part of a complicated substitution, which included Sweet Daddy Siki for Bearcat Wright, Haystack Calhoun for Sweet Daddy Siki, and Darnell for Calhoun. Tito Carreon, 214, Puerto Rico, defeated Judo Jack Terry, 222, Santa Monica, California, in 10:23, with a series of drop kicks.

MIAMI RING-DOIN'S

By Ken Mitnick

During the past month, we've had big time wrestling down here. Such names as: Antonino Rocca, Johnny "Blonde Jet" Valentine, "Bloody" Eddie Graham, Buddy "Nature Boy" Rogers, Reggie "Sweet Daddy" Siki, Buddy "Killer" Austin, Hans Schmidt, Mark Lewin and Don Curtis, Al "Kangaroo" Costello, Haystack Calhoun, Jumbo, Angelo Savoldi and others. The following are the results of our January show Sweet Daddy Siki vs. Angelo Savoldi—Siki pinned Savoldi, Tony Lopez won by disqualification over Hans Schmidt, Ella Waldek was pinned by Bonnie Watson, Buddy Rogers and Eddie Graham were victorious over Al Costello and Killer Austin in two straight falls. In the main event Antonino Rocca vs. Johnny Valentine. The referee disqualified Valentine. Rocca threw Johnny out of the ring.

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SOUTHERN WRESTLING NEWS

By Gene Gordon

Pat O'Connor made an impressive showing at Charlotte's Park Center. The world's heavyweight wrestling champion successfully defended his title twice during his stay here, defeating Waldo Von Eric and Danny McShane. The champion appeared in top form, winning two straight falls from his rugged foes in each contest.

Maurice and Paul Vacchon, a pair of roughies who hold The Canadian tag team title are creating much havoc since their arrival in the Carolinas. With Beards and bald heads they resemble the Smith Bros. Their style is almost a pattern of the Al and John Smith team who were so well known here several years back.

A youngster showing lots of promise and determination in this territory is Jimmy Smith. This swarthy battler from Tennessee has piled up an impressive string of wins in the Carolinas and Virginia.

A recent mat card in Hickory, N. C. saw some top action as Waldo Von Eric, a rugged, and tough German grabbler surprised fans when he won over veteran Ike Eakins. A series of knee drops was too much for even the "Kentucky Wildcat" who was the fans choice. They stormed around protesting the referee's decision for several minutes after the match ended. Von Eric was finally escorted to the dressing room by the police on duty.

Other bouts saw Jack Curtis and Ray Villmer take a very thrilling win over the combination of Louis Gillet and Pat O'Brien in the semi-final. Aggressive Jimmy Smith and clever Louis Bone, a newcomer in these parts, fought to a sizzling draw in the curtain lifter.

Angelo Martinelli, seasoned veteran of the mat wars and a clever grappler has returned to the Carolinas. The Boston Italian defeated Tom Bradley on a recent Park Center card and gave Buddy Rogers a run for his money before falling victim to Buddy's "figure four grapevine" hold.

The newest tag team sensations to hit this area are Joe and Lee Garcia. The Californian's, who are protege's of Jules Strongbow, are the rage with fans since making their debut here several weeks ago. A win over Mark Stone and Jan Madrid, in a main event televised bout, immediately put the young mat stars in line for bigger bouts in the future.

Len Rossi, the southern junior heavyweight champion is currently defending his laurels in and around Birmingham, Alabama. His toughest test to date was with The Masked Mighty Yankee. The popular Rossi had a tough time but managed to come out the winner.

Don and Luke Fields of Oklahoma and The Rough German team, Karl and Kurt von Browner are making it tough for other grapplers in the Gulf Coast region.

Others showing in Tenn.-Alabama rings at this writing are Don and Al Greene, another highly regarded brother combination; Pedro Zapata, Charro Azteca; Dick Dunn; Ricky Ray sensational leg artist from New York; Jerry Miller, the fast rising mat whiz of Rockford, Ill; Paul De Galles and Tex Riley are also seeing action down in the Deep South.

Joe Savoldi, ex-wrestling great and former Notre Dame football star was a guest referee in Birmingham recently.

WRESTLING IN THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST

By Dean A. Silverstone

Gene Kininski made another one of his one night appearances in Tacoma, Washington. He beat Dano McDonald. Gene was on his way to Minneapolis, where he was going to wrestle Wilbur Snyder.

Gene was asked, *"What are your future plans? I want Pat O'Connor, I beat him before he was champ, and I know I can beat him again. He's not worthy of the worlds crown."*

Gene used a Pile Driver and a Cannonball to take McDonald.

Whipper Billy Watson was here in January. He wrestled Jay York. Jay is known better as The Alaskan, a 299 pound, 21 year old comer. Watson defeated The Alaskan in a great match.

Timothy Geohagen has shown up most of the northwest wrestlers. Tim just beat Don Kindredge. Tim had to use his "Sleeper" hold to win.

Lou Thesz and Georgous George are presently touring the area. Luther Lindsay will venture into these parts shortly.

The Argentine, Tito Kopa, and Prussian Kurt von Poppenheim tagged up only to be defeated by Nick Kozak and Chief Billy White Wolf. It was a wild match, with Chief Wolf getting the 2nd fall with his War Dance. Poppenheim was the victim. The 3rd fall went to Kozak over Kopa with an airplane spin. The foreign team got the 1st fall when Kopa got Kozak in a neck stretcher.

The masked man has struck again. Yes, "The Outlaw" is the most hated man the great northwest has seen since Duke Keomuka was here. He was almost unmasked by Billy Watson, in fact he was, but he was wearing another mask underneath. I think that the Outlaw is none other than Dory Funk.

Remember the Masked Marvel? He's making a comeback. Buddy Knox, who was unmasked in 1949, is back in action wrestling without a mask.

Iron Mike Di Biasi made his Northwest debut. He handed Nick Kozak his first defeat in 19 matches.

Just leaving the Seattle area are, Duke Keomuka, Harou Sasaki, Tony Borne, Bad Boy Hines and Nelson Royal. All going to Texas. Ramon and Alberto Torres, plus the Great Shag Thomas, have left for California.

Send all questions to D. A. SILVERSTONE—1835 McGILVRA BLVD. —SEATTLE 2, WASH.

THE NEW ENGLAND WRESTLING SCORE

By Tony Santos

New England wrestling is getting in the spot light once again, now that the holidays are over. The Boston Gardens will resume wrestling in February under the promotions of Tony Santos and Jack Pfefer.

Now appearing in Boston are "The Killer", Killer Douglas; the new maskman, who is giving the fans plenty of action, "The Great Kilroy"; Chuck "Bull" Montana and the perfumed Hollywood Honey, "Golden Boy Dupree", favorite with the teenagers and the ladies.

The Boston TV star Frank Shields is back from a very successful trip around the country and promises to give East Coast Champion Jesse James the hardest competition he had as yet. Others in the territory are: the flying cowboy "Cowboy Ronnie Hill," the Indiana flash Charles Porter, brooklines own Billy "The Kid" Lynch, the servent of the mat "Preacher Lowe"; New Yorks own Billy Graham.

Also heading this list of wrestlers who at the present time are touring the south is the original "Haystack" Muldoon.

Boston will soon see Miss Alma Mills, who is touring the country at the present time. Along with Alma there will be such stars as: "Lucille Dupree, The Blonde Bombshell Mona Baker and others.

"Bearcat Wright" who the Boston fans have been wanting to see is coming in soon.

In the midget division there are the following: Vincent Garibaldi from Naples, Italy; from London, England, "Sir" Robert Randal; the very popular "Sonny Boy" Cassidy and adding a new edition to the midget class is "Fabian".

The Santos Wrestling Ent., Inc., is now located at a new and larger office at the Boston Arena, 238 St. Botolph St., Boston, Mass. There is also a wrestling school for new comers.

EASTERN NEWS AND ACTION

By Earle Yetter

NEW YORK State Athletic Commission found professional wrestling its chief "bread and butter" sport in 1960. With the exception of taxes obtained from the June fight between Floyd Patterson and Ingemar Johansson, the commission was mainly supported by assessments from the grapple industry.

Promoter Pedro Martinez was a real "live one" for the commission last year. Its share of the handle on Martinez's state-wide operations was comparable to that of New York's Madison Square Garden.

Live studio bouts are now televised each Saturday from 4:30 to 5:30 p. m. over Station WROC-TV, Rochester, N. Y. Channel 5 and it is estimated that the program is now being viewed by more than 500,000 people, as it has been shown in villages and hamlets that never before had seen professional wrestling. Dick Beyer, popular wrestler has been doing a splendid job in the dual role of commentator and wrestler. He particularly dissents upon the antics of the Gallagher Brothers and tells them off in no uncertain way right on the air. The result is generally a challenge by one of the Gallaghers to Dick to a bout to settle the controversy. Dick takes them up on the challenge and they fill the hall on the next occasion.

Eastern fans have seen the last of the Shire Brothers. They have headed for California, where they will become promoters and wrestle occasionally. Roy Shire has secured a splendid set-up and will televise some of his shows out of Oakland. The Shire's base of operation will be San Francisco.

Miquel Perez, the startling Porto Rican, who has teamed up on occasions with Antonino Rocca, to capacity houses in Madison Square Garden has a record of ten straight victories in Buffalo, N. Y. This youngster is now appearing throughout the state and Ohio and is being well received everywhere.

Another newcomer who has burst upon the scene in the East is big Ed. Bearcat Wright, whose sensational approach to the mat sport has sent him spiralling right up the ladder to popular acclaim. It seems that the big fellow is going to stay around for quite some time as he likes Buffalo so well that he has purchased a home in that city.

The 1961 Wrestling Fans Rally is definitely slated to be held June 24th–25th at the Southern Hotel in Columbus, Ohio. Chairmen Alice Post and Margaret Hall are confident that this event will exceed any others which have been held. The Southern Hotel Management will endeavor to place all delegates or visitors to the rally on the same floor, provided your reservation is received by them at least one week in advance. It is better when you send your reservations direct to the hotel as it eliminates red tape and possible disappointment.

Televized films of the Buffalo matches from Memorial Auditorium are now shown each Saturday afternoon from 1 to 2 pm. via station WKBW-TV, Channel 7. Dick Beyer has given the commentary on the bouts the professional approach. Dick has a dual role as commentator and wrestler.

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BOXING NEWS FROM MONTREAL

By Wallace Brown

THE FEBRUARY 6 "RUBBER MATCH" between Canadian Heavyweight Champion George Chuvalo, and Bob Cleroux ex-champ, scheduled for the Gardens in Toronto had to be postponed for the present time as Cleroux unfortunately damaged an elbow while in training.

Roger Larivee, former instructor at the White Owl boxing club, and coach of Canada's 1960 Olympic squad in Rome, Italy, has been named head boxing coach of the new Paul Sauve Centre. Taking over Larivee's post at the White Owl will be Leo Montmarquette, former pro fighter and a very capable replacement. This writer would like to extend to both coaches, my most fervent wish for a successful year in boxing.

Dave Hilton, Canadian Bantamweight champion, fighting out of Montreal recently, travels overseas to England where he is scheduled to meet British Empire champion Terry Spinks, as part of an all-star cast featuring Terry Downes.

THIS BIG FIGHT

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For their third meeting both will be in top shape. Poor conditioning was cited in Johansson's second effort but the truth is that he was outboxed, outpunched and outfought.

Patterson is the better boxer; Johansson has the heftier wallop. Patterson has a stinging left hook, while Ingemar must rely mainly on his booming right.

Both take a reasonable amount of punishment and both have "heart" and will take it as long as the flesh is willing.

The fight should be thrilling. Patterson could have an elge in determination since rumor has it that Johansson may quit the ring after this fight.

BY LEW ESKIN

I pick Patterson to retain his title when he and Johansson clash. In their first bout, Johansson's punching power was overlooked. His quick kayo of Eddie Machen was shrugged off as a fluke. It may have been, but the power was there, in Ingemars' right hand. When he floored Floyd seven times and halted him, the Swede was hailed and all the weak points in Patterson's armour were brought out.

Thus it figured that Ingemar would have an easy time in the second fight. But, making a great comeback, both physically and mentally, Patterson survived the one big punch thrown by Johansson, came back and cut Ingemar down. In that fight Johansson lay back and waited. He failed to follow up when he hurt Floyd and in allowing Patterson to take away the play from him he was knocked out.

Since they first fought two years ago, Patterson has grown stronger and bigger. He is now a full-fledged heavyweight. He has fast hands. He has lost some speed but it still faster afoot than Johansson.

Ingemar still packs the big wallop, but his boxing skill has not improved, and he lacks drive in his attack.

Each is capable of knocking out the other, Johansson with his powerful right, Floyd with his steady stream of left hooks.

His fighting spirit should carry Patterson to victory.

BY AL BUCK

Speed will be the deciding factor in the Patterson-Johansson fight. The heavyweight champion is faster than the Swedish challenger. This was demonstrated in their second meeting last June.

Johansson has a power-packed right. He is dangerous and Floyd will have to be careful. Patterson moves better and is the superior boxer. He should win by a knockout.

BY TED CARROLL

Trying to pick the winner of this third meeting of Patterson and Johansson is strictly a grab-bag proposition. You can put your hand into the bag, but you can't be sure what you'll come up with. Since things are supposed to go in threes, however, and I was wrong on the two previous bouts, I suppose I'll complete the cycle and go wrong again. As the other two meetings proved, anything can happen when these two rivals start punching away, and the first solid sock is apt to determine the outcome. The odds would appear to favor Patterson, however, since Floyd has the speed, the skill and a left hook that already has demonstrated its worth against Johansson. The Swede, however, is dangerous, especially with his right fist, and if Patterson becomes too careless at any time, he's apt to rue it. If Floyd pays strict attention to business, however, and takes no undue chances, he should win. He has too much all-around equipment for the Swede.

BY SAM TAUB

It's bound to be another short one. Neither man will be taking chances due to the power-punching of the duo.

I picked Floyd the first time when the upset occurred and went along with him for the Polo Grounds scrap last June 20, when we believed he'd win in a blitzkrieg. We can't see the third bout going very far.

Johansson will try to regain his lost prestige but Patterson, a dedicated fighter, remembering what happened in 1960, will undoubtedly face the bell with the big idea of winding it up in a hurry. Thus all the facts point to a quickie and my opinion is that Patterson, faster puncher with both hands, will retain his crown by an early knockout.

It could happen any time after the opening bell.

BY FRED EISENSTADT

Patterson will repeat over Johansson because the present heavyweight king so thoroughly vanquished Ingo in their second meeting. Floyd proved himself not only a good fighter, but a champion in the true sense of the word. He had confidence was fearless and strong.

Johansson, on the other hand, proved himself to be an ordinary fighter possessing a good punch which landed only once but failed to perform.

As Patterson has too much boxing skill and courage for Ingemar to overcome. Floyd should baffle Ingo's determination to regain his lost laurels—by employing a combined assortment of speedy blows to the head and body which will tend not only to discourage the Swede but to weaken him.

Patterson will polish off his rival before the tenth round.

BY BILLY WILLIAMS

Psychology will be an important factor in this third meeting of Patterson and Johansson. Much depends on how last year's crushing defeat reacts on the Swede. It was the first time in his professional career he'd been knocked out. His confidence may have been badly shaken by that setback, and there is no saying how it will affect him this time. He may be "scared stiff" going into the ring.

Still, veterans of the boxing profession will tell you that a "frightened" fighter is often a dangerous one. When he punches, it is out of desperation, and that desperation can add power to the punch. It behooves Patterson not to hold his opponent cheaply. He did it two years ago, and paid a shocking price for his carelessness.

What happened before can happen again. It shouldn't happen, however, if Patterson is alert and realizes he cannot afford to take unnecessary chances with the Swede. Floyd should prove too speedy and too accurate a puncher for the slower Johansson. Patterson by a knockout, probably in an early round.

BY BILL HAMILTON
(Swedish Correspondent)

When Johansson and Patterson met the first time I was one of the few who picked Ingemar not only to win but to knock him out.

There were many reasons for Ingemar's poor showing in the second fight and maybe some that never will be revealed. I think that we all know that Johansson did everything else but train before his second fight with Floyd. To fight a man like Patterson, who really was a hungry fighter for this meeting, you have to be at the very best.

I know that few Americans will pick Johansson in the third fight. But, in Sweden many boxing-writers and also many people in the boxing-business think that Ingemar will win.

I have followed Ingemar closely before this meeting and know that he is a very much different man right now, and will be before the fight, than he was for the second meeting with Patterson. Johansson to win in No. 3.

RATINGS

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Battling Torres kayoed Ranchero Ruiz, 4. Frankie Olivera drew with Jimmy Lynn, 6. Negrito Alcala kayoed Joe Ambrosio, 2. Cliff Brown decisioned Tommy Molloy, 8. Gorilla Queznal stopped Martin Caballero, 6. Art Garcia kayoed Eddie Jones, 1. Mel Bennett was defeated by Clement Winchester, 8. E. H. Landa beat Sam Gray, 6 and Gray lost to James Shelton, 4. Danny Delan whipped Rocky Randell, 6.

LIGHTWEIGHTS

British Empire and European champion Dave Charnley defeated Gene Gresham, 10. Carlos Ortiz whipped Cisco Andrada, 10. Len Matthews halted J. D. Ellis, 10. Doug Vaillant whipped Angel Garcia, 10. Jose Stable upset Kenny Lane, 10. Johnny Busso returned to action and whipped Al King, 10. Nursey Kid kayoed Vicente Rivas, 3. Jackie Donnelly beat Chico Yelez, 10. Arthur Persley and Leo Alonzo, drew, 7. Chico Morales defeated Tony Padron, 10. Paolo Rosi outscored Tommy Tibbs, 10. Jackie Donnolly defeated Bennie Gordon, 10. Aissa Hashas beat Conny Rudhoff, 10. Claudio Adame kayoed Ricardo Moreno, 7. Tony Perez upset Baby Vasquez, 10. Enrique Camarena stopped Adolfo Olguin, 2. Dave Stone halted Eric Brett, 4 and Byron Hollingsworth, 5. Bryon defeated Jim McCormack, 8. Mel Middleton defeated Chuck Taylor, 10. Rudy Garcia whipped Joe Lopez, 10. Jorge Gutierrez stopped Ruben Cadena, 2. Eddie Armstrong whipped Joey Parks, 10. Harry Campbell stopped Flory Olguin, 8. Hilario Espana beat Raton Vargas, 10. Ebe Mensah stopped Brian Jones, 7. Al Franklin stopped Artie Clark, 4. Paul Maolet stopped Altidoro Polidori, 6. Al Medrano and Dave Camacho drew, 10. Cordoba Rodriguez whipped Tony Hernandez, 10. Marvin Carter kayoed Manuel Favela, 2, and beat Chano Barrientos, 10. Frankie Tailferro stopped Warren McIntosh, 2. Julio Lopez drew with Kid Bassey, 8. Percy Hayles won from Wesley Hines, 8. Psalm Johnson drew with Johnny Bean, 6, Johnny kayoed Julio Santiago, 2. Frank Garcia drew with Vince Ferrando, 10. Jimmy Soo stopped Steve Hayward, 6. Vic Diamond whipped Bobby McLaurin, 8. James Harper stopped Emilio Sanchez, 2. Frankie Taylor kayoed Dan Livingston, 6. Jimmy Walker halted Frank Talaga, 4. Freddie Jackson won from Leo Pitcher, 6, and Wesley Morgan, 6. Johnny Bizzaro whipped Eli Leggett, 8. Jose Napoles won over Guillermo Valdez, 10. Stanley Wilson halted Carlos Ortiz, 6. Tony Christy won from Enoch Mapp, 8. Billy Braggs stopped Art Wilburn, 5. Bill Cherry beat Lloyd Weeks, 6. Lou Cappellano defeated Jerry Mullens, 6. Dick DiVola won over Matt Mullane, 6. Les McFadden defeated Clarence Williams, 6. Les Bagi kayoed Young Kid Chocolate, 2, but lost to Leo Pitcher, 10. Esteban Santamaria and Modesto Lara, drew, 6.

FEATHERWEIGHTS

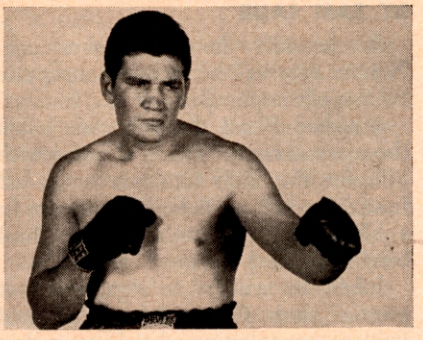
World Champion Davey Moore kayoed Fred Galiana, 4 (non-title), and beat Ray Nobile, 10 (non-title). Ultimino (Sugar) Ramos stopped Jesus Santamaria, 6, and Edwin Skyes, 4. Juan Ramirez whipped Kid Irapuato, 10. Howard Winstone upset British Empire champion Floyd Robertson, 10. Aldo Gamboa beat Gumeroindo Rajoy, 10. Felix Cervantes was held to a draw by Fili Nava, 10. Roberto Palaveccino defeated Pedro Miranda, 10 and Terencio Gutierrez, 10. Jose Luis Cruz outfought Don Johnson, 10. Pablo Avila knocked out Joe Valdivis, 3. Danny Valdez kayoed Boots Monroe, 1. Army Wonder Boy won the Orient feather title, stopping Hisao Kobayashi, in 6. Don Adamson stopped Dave Lee, 5. Rudy Coronado whipped Fernandez Gomez, 10. Orlando Castillo and Chico Veliz drew, 10. Alberto Martinez outpointed Alberto Soto, 10. Mario Diaz stopped Jose Luis Valdez, 6. Jae Keun Yang stopped Vic Fuentes, 4, and Yang lost to Leo Espinosa, 10. Marinerito Celis defeated Ray Zamora, 10. Jesse Leija kayoed Bobby Bell, 1. Memo Gonzalez kayoed Moi Taylor, 2. Jose Lopez kayoed Memo Vega, 6, and beat Chuca Rodriguez, 10. Gallito Gonzalez halted David Rodriguez, 8. Panterita Jacome whipped Raton Vargas, 10. Alfredo Escobar kayoed Noel Humphreys, 5, and Ruben Munoz, 5. Delfino Rosales defeated Raul Reyes, 10. Tommy Haden outpointed Gene Fosmire, 12. Tony Herrera defeated Henry Nieto, 10. Teddy Rand halted Kenny Davis, 4. Miguel Paredes decisioned Manny Yamashiro, 10. Fil Ravalo stopped Onsap Laemfapha, 7. Tony Herrera kayoed Tino Zaragoza, 1. Cain Rogero stopped Gildo Vargas, 3. Henry Macias beat Juanito Lopez, 10. Tony Morales kayoed Pulga Serrano, 5. Emilio Flores defeated Johnny Shaw, 10. Cleo Eloby kayoed Spud Perrody, 3. Vic Graffio defeated Tano Serna, 10. Moi Torres defeated Anselmo Hernandez, 10. Pastor Marrero beat Roberto Ruiz, 8. Memo Ruiz bested Neto Villarreal, 10. Pablo Avila kayoed Jose Valdivis, 3. Pollo Gabino beat Lalo Duque, 10. George Judge defeated Phil Jones, 8. Johnny Sarduy decisioned Hector Rodrigues, 10. Louis Poncy held to surprising draw by Michel Atlan, 10. Tom Lowery stopped Tommy Goss, 3. Willie Green stopped Billy Abel, 2. Ray Salas won from Bobby Avila, 6.

BANTAMWEIGHTS

British Empire champion Freddie Gilroy outpointed Ugo Milan, 10. Alphonse Halimi outpointed Jean Renard, 10. Danny Kid whipped Javier Garfias, 10, and Juan Ibares, 10. Federico Scarponi outpointed French champion Pierre Vetroff, 10. Haruo Sakamoto defeated Arab Junior, 12. Hector Hicks outpointed Pedro Ortiz, 12. Hector Agundez defeated Torito Mota, 10. Mota also lost to Ignacio Pina, 10, while Agundez was beaten by Cuervo Salinas, 10. Manuel Armenteros decisioned Max Huerta, 10. Torito Mota outscored Luis Leija, 10. Goyo Sanchez and Zurd Arce, drew, 10. Tetsuya Yamaguchi outpointed Koji Ishibashi, 10. Teruo Maki bested Ray Perez, 10. Rush Junior drew with Baby Galauran, 10. Roberto San Martin defeated Isidro Morales, 10. Felix Gutierrez stopped Hiram Bacallao, 7. Juan Salazar whipped Raul Huante, 10. Ronnie Perez outpointed Jimmy Abeyta, 10. Tim Chico beat Little Narding, 6. Elysee Castre decisioned Christian Marchand, 10. Mario Luciano defeated Danny Medrano, 8. Juanito Miranda defeated Ramon Orozco, 8. Ramon Ferrer stopped Angel Bataille, 5. Angel Ley beat Juan Sanchez, 8. Frankie Duran beat Miguel Lassus, 10. Louis Leija decisioned Jose Alba, 10. Ray Bakta stopped May Garcia in 4. Fili Hernandez stopped Luis Ramirez, 3.

FLYWEIGHTS

Sadao Yaoita outpointed Chung Kook Myun, 10. British Champion Johnny Caldwell stopped Angelo Rampin, 8. Carlos Rodriguez was held to a draw by Juan Romo, 10. British Empire champion Dennis Adams kayoed Graham Van Der Walt, 5. Ernesto Barrerra kayoed Lolo Messen, 10. Jimmy Abeyta outscored Pimi Barajas, 10. Chucho Hernandez halted Fidel Alfaro, 4. Baby Demilliones defeated Romy Sisson, 10. Taizo Kakizawa outpointed Ray Perez, 10. Chivete Martinez outscored Chilango Gomez, 10. Carlos Gomez defeated Chocolate Rodriguez, 10. Gustavo Pitalua kayoed Papelero Velazquez, 9. Vic Campo defeated Young Bonnie, 10. Luis Jimenez kayoed Felix Padilla, 9. Chucho Castaneda stopped Elias Reyes, 1. Baby Espinosa kayoed Rex Ricardo, 2.



Cliff Keorkle, who was fighting in the late 1940's and was managed by Jimmy Ambrose and trained by Sid Terris is a graduate of the New York Institute of Criminology and has received a license to practice in New Jersey. Cliff, who makes his home in Bayonne was an all out action crowd pleaser.

THE MAT WORLD

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Dick (The Bruiser) Afflis knocked Bobo Brazil unconscious when he conked the big fellow over the head with a chair. He was warned by the deputy athletic commissioner that another outburst like that would mean a suspension. The Reno, Nevada "one-man blitz" seems to become involved with either the patrons or ringside police after every bout he appears in and he has to be forcibly taken to the dressing room.

Readers who desire personal answers to questions are kindly requested to forward a self-addressed stamped envelope for their replies. The writer can be contacted at 138 Lockwood Ave., Buffalo 20, N. Y.

CANADIAN NEWS AND ACTION

By Earle Yetter

The sport of wrestling is a rugged one no matter how you look at it. Omaya Kato, prominent Japanese grappler died suddenly in Vancouver in January after defeating Clair Robinson in a bout at the Garden Auditorium.

After the match, Kato complained of chest pains when he returned to the Cariboo Auto Court, where he resided. He collapsed and was rushed to Vancouver General Hospital, but was dead on arrival. An autopsy the following day revealed that the wrestler had died from hardening of the arteries which contributed to a heart attack. He was the father of seven children.

Promoter Rod Fenton said that this was Kato's first appearance in Vancouver. *"He had previously wrestled for me in Arizona. He was a fine man, very conscious of maintaining his physical fitness. His death was a surprise and a great shock,"* concluded Fenton. Kato had been wrestling 15 years and had celebrated his 42nd birthday the previous Sunday. His many friends and acquaintances will be shocked by his untimely death.

The previous week in Vancouver Wrestler Gene Kiniski was stabbed in the side by a knife-wielding spectator as he left the ring following a bout with Whipper Billy Watson and was hospitalized for repairs. It seems that Kiniski had lost his bid for the British Empire Championship when he was declared the loser against Whipper Billy Watson, the Champion. During a fracus in the ring, an unidentified person drove a knife into Kiniski's side. After treatment at a local hospital, Kiniski went back home to Edmonton for a needed rest. However, by the time you fans are reading this news, Gene will be right back in the thick of things and will continue his rampaging mat campaigns.

Back at the scene of some of his initial triumphs is Farmer-Boy Frank Townsend, the singing wrestler.

As this column goes to press, we are informed that Whipper Billy Watson and Ilio Di Paolo were shorn of the Canadian Open Tag Team title by none other than Tiny Mills and Stanley (Krusher) Kowalski in a slam-bang bout in Toronto. To the credit of Watson and Di Paolo, they have held on to the title for the past six months.

FROM OUR READERS

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If my appraisement falls short in your opinion, check Nat Fleischers All-Time Ranking of World Boxers.

G. K. Garnett,
Past President,
Canadian Boxing Wrestling Fed.

GRUNTING AND GROANING

Gentlemen:

I have been a boxing and Ring fan for many years now, so it is with a great deal of regret that I write to you at this time in order to register a gripe. My gripe can be stated very briefly—Please eliminate that completely phony wrestling section from your otherwise fine publication.

I must admit that this particular part of Ring never angered me until I recently had the misfortune of seeing so-called wrestling match in person. After viewing this two hour spectacle of acrobatic phonies complete with fake punches, artificial blood capsules, and terrible grunts and groans, I could hardly believe that they could be featured in an athletic magazine such as The Ring. I do not feel that I am gifted with an exceptionally keen eye, but the obvious fraud of the whole thing was so easily seen that I could not understand how some people can become so enthused over such an exhibition.

Stacey Conrad,
Denver, Colorado

[*Sorry, but we have many wrestling readers and must cater to them as well as to boxing enthusiasts.*]—*Editors note*

IT'S GREAT TO REMEMBER

Sirs:

Recently in The Ring Magazine there appeared a letter belittling the old time fighters and as your correspondent happened to be one of the old-timers left, I feel it incumbent on me to answer the silly epistle. The Ring reader singled out the incomparable George Dixon and as I fought the great little champ three times—twice in six rounders in Philadelphia and one twenty round bout at the Coney Island Athletic Club, I feel I should know something about his ability.

Dixon, while champion, toured the country year after year, meeting all comers and frequently offering $50 to anybody lasting four rounds with him. This great fighter fought them all. Look at the names of those great opponents he faced—Young Griffo, Tommy White, Johnny Griffin, Solly Smith, Eddie Santry and many others. He defended his title ten long years or until age caught up with him.

Most of the old-timers were far smarter than are our best fighters today. They had stamina, they were game and most of them possessed cleverness as well as hitting power.

I would like very much for The Ring to continue to write stories on the old-timers.

Paul Dennie,
Victoria, Texas
(An 86 year old reader of The Ring)

GRAPPLE WITH THIS

Dear Sirs:

As a 'Ring' reader both in the United States and in my native England, may I beg the courtesy of your columns to express an opinion, and ask a question?

Mr. Branciforte's letter seemed to me to be an inadequate defense of wrestling. He writes " 'Of course'—there are freaks and clowns in wrestling" implying that the real thing is available, if you wait long enough.

Wrestling, to me, is like watching a play, and a very poor play at that. I hardly know whether the performers intend me to roll in aisles in hysterics, or weep at the realization that here, at one time, must have been a beautiful and serious art.

The very slow recovery of a wrestler after breaking free from a lock leads one to doubt all authenticity. Surely a man wrestling to win would be quick to avail himself of the chance to turn the tables. But no! Ample time is given the adversary to apply yet another hold. We all know man's reflexes are quicker than that. Who are they kidding?

As for wrestling attracting more supporters than boxing, does Mr. Branciforte really believe that Rock-and-Roll is better than Chopin? Of course he doesn't, yet here the supporters are somewhat one-sided.

Finally, my question. Are wrestling fans really convinced that they are watching true wrestling, or are they satisfied with the knowledge that even arrant nonsense can pro entertaining?

Forgive my frankness, but I would like to be enlightened.

Stanley M. Lewin,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Ed Note: (I think you are enlightened.)

ODDS BE DARNED

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They didn't have to wait long. The men tore into each other at the sound of the gong. Terry got his punch away first and it landed with terrific force against Tommy's temple. He hit the canvas with a thud and was dead to the world as he was counted out in the opening round. The reaction was virtually the same as when Terry was knocked out by Young Corbett at Hartford.

Upsets—surprises—startling form reversals—they have been frequent in pugilism. Many of the greatest ringmen have been defeated when the public deemed them most secure.

Kid McCoy, knocked out by Jack McCormick in Chicago in the opening round, is listed in this category. The Kid figuring McCormick a setup, found his rise to fistic fame suddenly checked, but the corkscrew phenom worked his way back toward the top quickly and including his triumphs following the setback, were an eight round victory over his conqueror in New York and knockouts of Peter Maher and Joe Choynski, before being halted by Jim Corbett in their New York fiasco.

In the build-up of Jack Munroe by Jack Curley, he arranged to have Jim Jeffries tackle the Canadian miner at Butte, Montana, during Jeffries' exhibition tour. What was figured to be easy sailing for Jeff, turned out to be a thriller in which Jeff was dropped. That exhibition brought on their return meeting in a title bout and this time Jeffries, trained to a honed edge, knocked the miner out in the second round. Munroe proved to be a dud.

In more recent years, during the reign of Tex Rickard as America's leading promoter, many prize packages were handed the public in surprises and thrills. For one, Jack Delaney was expected to be just another victim in the spectacular build-up of Paul Berlenbach but he uncovered a stunning shock by flattening "Oom Paul". That surprising development catapulted the hitherto little regarded Delaney to the top of the light-heavyweight division and his three subsequent meetings with Berlenbach became ring classics.

Then, of course, there were Dave Shade's surprising knockout of Jimmy Slattery, Jimmy McLarnin's sensational debut in New York when he flattened the supposedly invincible Sid Terris, and Max Schmeling's advent into the Big Time by his stunning kayo of previously punch-proof Johnny Risko.

How many more, past and current? The Ring Record Book is loaded with them.

IN OLD NEW ENGLAND

By Don Hamill

PROVIDENCE, R. I.—Auditorium Paddy Read, 126, Providence, in his second attempt won the New England featherweight title by gaining a close twelve round decision from Gene Fosmire, 124¾, Revere, Mass. Fosmire dominated the first five rounds by rattling right hands to the jaw of Read. Kenny Tavares, 142, New Bedford, dropped veteran Don Vincent, 146, Providence, twice in the second round before the bout was halted. Mercer "Tiger" Smith, 131¾, Providence, outfought Tommy Thibault, 135, Somerville, Mass., in their sixer. Irish Johnny Gorman, 147½, Providence, cut down Walter Giles, 147, Boston, in the third of a four spot. Paul Holman, 147, Brighton, racked up his second win in his comeback by edging Eddie Grenke, 145, Southbridge, Mass., by a split decision in four rounds.

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MICKEY WALKER

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adjusted himself in imitation of the fun-loving Kearns, had any effect on the new power and vitality which now coursed through his middleweight campaigning.

An overseas junket to London in which he stopped the well regarded British champ Tommy Milligan brought such enconiums from the British as "the greatest American fighting machine since Sam Langford" in 1927. The peripatetic pace along pleasure's primrose path never slackened for Kearns and Walker while overseas.

Seized with a sudden yearning to view the ancestral environs of Ireland, the pair delegated eccentric hireling Walter "Good Time Charley" Friedman to arrange for a trip to the Emerald Isle. Friedman, with no such roots there, had other ideas about a likelier locale, and figuring that his ever-celebrating pals would never know the difference, the following morning bundled the party aboard ship and when half way across the English Channel, announced that Paris and not Dublin was their destination. Too late to do anything about it, the entourage proceeded on to Gay Paree where they did their best to make it even gayer.

Since Walker had found such rejuvenation at 160 pounds, Kearns decided to build him up still more and taken on big fellows, a practice he deemed more lucrative than middleweight campaigning. As a 168 pounder fighting light heavies and heavies, Walker came to greatness while never yielding an inch in his pursuit of life's pleasures. He engaged opposition from ten to forty pounds heavier. Regarded as through with his career in 1925, Mickey established himself from 1927 to 1933 as one of the most remarkable ringmen of all time.

Although two matches with Ace Hudkins plus the Milligan affair were his only middleweight title defenses during this period, he defeated such heavyweights as Johnny Risko, Paulino Uzcudun and King Levinsky, real bruisers and no pushovers at the time.

He battered lightheavyweights Mike M'Tigue, Leo Lomski, Maxey Rosenbloom, Charley Bellanger and George Manley.

He extended champ Tommy Loughran to the limit in a try at Tommy's lightheavy title in Chicago on March 28, 1929 in a bout in which he was guaranteed $50,000 if he lost but only $10,000 if he won.

He got another chance at the 175 pound title in 1933 when he chased Maxie Rosenbloom futilely for fifteen rounds in Madison Square Garden and dropped the decision.

When his handicap match against big Jack Sharkey was called a draw at Ebbets Field in Brooklyn on July 22, 1931, even the heavyweight title seemed within reach of the undersized terror. Max Schmeling, however, put an end to that. The German's powerful right hand, was too much for Mickey, who made his usual valiant try but was a knockout victim on September 26, 1932.

Walker had relinquished his middleweight title in 1931, seeing no particular reason for continuing the ordeal of weight making with no big money matches available. His career was amazingly long, spanning some sixteen years and ranging from meeting the post World War 1 era expert boxers like Britton, Ward, Malone, Krug, Shade and others, through the Flowers-Greb period, and building up to heavyweight kings Sharkey and Schmeling. Mickey really fought 'em all!

Writer Paul Gallico, in a tribute to him in the twilight of his career, offered an interesting analysis of Mickey's durability. . . . "Why did Walker last so long? Because in addition to being a powerful slugger, he was a first class boxer and one of the most deceptive of fighters and hardest boxers to hit. He was a great blocker, with his big powerful arms, and many a lethal punch rolled off his shoulders, upper arms, neck and forearms. Added to this, he had a staunch chin set firmly on his neck and he could sop up punches like a blotter. . . ."

One of the most unimpressive of all good fighters in the gym, Walker was a changed man once the gong rang. In action he was colorful. He liked to bull his foe into the ropes where he would whale away with powerful hooks to head and body. A solid puncher it took a good boxer to last the limit with him when Mickey really turned the heat on at his peak.

Tagged the "Toy Bulldog" by the late Francis Albertanti many years ago, he was far from a plaything once the going got rough. Few could stand and trade punches with him, and as he showed in his second bout with Ace Hudkins when he turned boxer, he could do a pretty good job at that, too.

But above and beyond all this, there was a flair about him, a devil-may-care dash of D'Artagnan which made him one of the most popular fighters of his time. There were times outside the ring when the revelry of an after fight celebration might spill over into a bit of truculence, but when this flurry had subsided, there was the same old Smiling Mickey—everybody's friend.

Like the rest of the heroes he fought too long. The last entry in the record book against his name is a "KO by" but that is the inevitable fate of all ring heroes.

To-day he is surprisingly unmarked, his appearance always drawing wonderment that "such a little guy could fight and beat heavyweights". He smiles as readily as of yore, although the huge fortune he earned in the ring has long since been strewn along the happy highway of the gay life he chose.

He has earned some reputation as a primitive painter, in recent years. The color of his past lending some of its quality to his paintings. His paintings have been on exhibition in New York and in Hollywood and in his new field, he has met with considerable success.

THE ALP STILL AMBLING

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a "rich man" in Sequals. He had been reduced to virtual poverty, and he had a growing family to support.

Then the American troops trudged into town. They shook hands with Primo, visited his house, took photographs of him, talked about his fights in America.

Stories of the big fellow reached the U. S. A. Offers from American promoters followed. Carnera was finished as a fighter, of course, but his "name" still made him an attraction in other roles. Sifting through the various offers, Carnera decided to accept one from a Los Angeles combination to referee fights and wrestling matches. Transportation was wired to him and he arrived in July, 1946.

Carnera was then 40, but despite the mental and physical anguish he had undergone, he was in remarkably fine condition. Working out in gymnasium with a few wrestlers, he surprised the onlookers with his knowledge of the trade. After all, Primo was no stranger to grappling routines. He'd had considerable experience with them in European carnivals and circuses before venturing into the prizefighting business.

The Los Angeles promoters decided Carnera would be a better attraction as a wrestler than he would be as a referee. They were right. After schooling him in some of the more "modern" antics of the grunt-and-groan brigade, they arranged for his first match in August, 1946, a month after his arrival. It was a sellout in Los Angeles' Olympic Auditorium. Demands for Carnera's services kept the big fellow wrestling two and three nights weekly up and down the Pacific Coast, and it wasn't long before he was able to bring his family over from Italy.

Thus began the latest chapter in the ubiquitous history of the Italian Man Mountain.

It's been a very happy chapter, indeed, for Carnera. It couldn't have happened to a nicer guy.

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UNDER SOUTHERN SKIES

By Tom Ephrem

FLORIDA RECEIVED THE ATTENTION OF FIGHT ENTHUSIASTS DURING THE PAST FEW WEEKS DURING WHICH TOP FIGHTERS WERE IN OUR MIDST. Three championships in three months time—that's the story of Florida boxing during the winter.

While Ingemar Johnansson was at Palm Beach tuning up for his third engagement with Floyd Patterson for their heavyweight title bout, Harold Johnson and Jesse Bowdry appeared on the scene at Miami Beach to battle for the N.B.A. version of the world light heavyweight crown. As was expected, Johnson gained the prize by stopping Bowdry in the ninth round after handing his opponent a shellacking. Elsewhere in this issue is a special report on the fight.

On April 1, the third important contest will be staged when Chris Dundee puts on the Benny Paret vs. Emile Griffith world welterweight championship match.

▶Sooner or later Tony Alongi and Billy Stephan, both recipients of the heavyweight prospect award by RING MAGAZINE, were bound to clash. When Promoter Chris Dundee signed them, he gave them the semi-final spot on the Billy Ryan-Allan Harmon mainer. Since both heavyweights did practically all their fighting in Miami Beach, and each sported an all-win-no loss record, the pairing was responsible for the good turnout of 2,812. But the fight didn't live up to expectations mainly due to the big edge in height and weight carried by Tony. Alongi, 198, peppered Stephan, 181, with left jabs and a frequent right cross to win very easily. Judges Jim Rugby and Gus Jacobson had it in order, 100-90 and 99-92 and Referee Jimmy Peerless, 99-94. They went 10 rounds.

The top tilt was worth the admission alone. Billy Ryan, now of Brockton, Mass., and protege of retired, undefeated heavyweight champ Rocky Marciano, survived a first round knockdown to score in 10 over Allan Harmon, of Jamaica, truly a terrific bout. These middleweights gave and took but Billy had a little more on the ball. It was Billy's 26th win in 30 times in the ring, compared to Allan's 27 triumphs against 4 losses.

In other bouts, 10 rounders, Rocky Ferguson, of Deerfield Beach won a split decision over Ike Vaughn, now of Miami, while newcomer Johnny Sarduy, of Cuba, scored in his featherweight clash with Hector Rodriguez, of Miami. Ferguson and Vaughn are welters.

▶Li'l Charley Goldman, whose training and tutoring is worth more than gold, may have a "sleeper" in Tony Alongi. Alongi's record now reads 22 straight, no losses and 13 of the wins are by the kayo route. When Tony whipped Billy Stephan at Miami Beach, he put a stop to Stephan's undefeated ways, 11 wins and 9 were by kayoes. Incidentally, Goldman, also worked in winner Billy Ryan's corner against Allan Harmon.

▶Cecil Shorts, after his knockout over Vince Martinez at Cleveland, had a date with Gomeo Brennan at Miami Beach and it turned out to be a heartbreaker. Ahead of Brennan going into the seventh round Cecil missed a left-right combo and here's where Gomeo didn't miss. He anchored close in after Cecil went awry with the right and a punch backed by dynamite, exploded on the button. The night was short for Cecil and Gomeo was able to celebrate his 22nd birthday in a happier frame of mind. The winner, from Bimini, tipped 153, and the loser was four pounds lighter.

Cassius Clay, of Louisville, the Olympic light-heavy king (1960), didn't have much of an opponent in Tony Esperti. Clay, 195, also had a birthday, his 19th. Promoter Chris Dundee fed him a sure enough soft touch in flabby 197 pound Tony whose long layoff was very noticeable. This was supposed to be the semi-final, an eight round bout but Clay won by a TKO in three.

A sixer went to Freddy Mortonvich, 138, over Jimmy Mackey, 135. Sugar Cliff, 148, grabbed a six from Vince Bonomi, 151. Willie Taylor, 168, won from Jimmy Belton, 168¾. The show drew 2,002 fans.

▶Jesse Bowdry, trained by former triple-champ Henry Armstrong, can vouch for the saying, "He who laughs last, laughs loudest". Going into the Miami Beach ring a rank outsider, although RING MAGAZINE has him ninth among the light-heavies, the St. Louis puncher trounced 3-1 favored Willie Pastrano in 10 rounds by unanimous decision. And Willie, who is listed by THE RING in fourth slot, was one of the four selected by the NBA to fight in the elimination for Archie Moore's vacated crown (NBA version). So, Jesse has the right to laugh long and loud.

His upset took place before 2,879 fans. Chris Dundee promoted. Cassius Clay, Louisville, and 1960 world Olympic champion, ended the semi in the fourth round when he stopped Herb Siler.

Tony Alongi kept up with his victorious marching through opposition. Weighing 195, the tall Floridian stopped Aaron Beasley in the sixth. Tommy Stru, 205, TKOed Jim Hillman, 224½, in four. Marty Janchill, 143, won in four from Pedro Chamacho, 138. (Beasley weighed 185).

▶The less words wasted on the main event Promoter Chris Dundee offered Miami Beachites the better, and the more can be said for the prelim boys. The sorry heavyweight mismatch had Cleveland Williams, 212, Tampa and Houston, knocking out Johnny Hayden, 182½, of California, in the second round. No fault of Williams that the Los Angelesan wouldn't, or couldn't fight. Later, the boxing commission suspended him for the poor showing.

Williams had to play second fiddle to prelimers Daniel Berrios, a newcomer, and Billy Martin. Berrios, Angelo Dundee's import from Puerto Rico, made his Florida debut a big hit in winning the semi-10 from 129 pound Ray Estepa, of Miami. Berrios weighed 135.

Martin, 146, won a four from Frankie Carr, 148, adding to his win streak. Greg Camacho, 135, won four from Davey Mills, 134½. Aaron Beasley, 184½, won four over Max Synan, 192. The gate $2,460-50 from 1,562 fans.

▶Open winners in the 18th Annual Jacksonville Golden Gloves sponsored by the Jacksonville Recreation Department produced the following team that was sent to New York City: 112—Ed Rydowski, of Fort Benning; 118—Tony Elumba, of Jax Navy; 126—Pat Brady, of Jax Navy; Landy Dove (135), of Jax Navy; 147—James Honeysuckle, of Fort Benning; 160—Chico Brown, of Donaldson Air Force Base; 175—Melvin Lonas, of Fort Benning, and heavyweight James Rosette, of the USS Fox. The three day and night stand was highlighted by the fight between Melvin Lonas, of Fort Benning, and Henry Mathews, of Wilder A.C., of Jacksonville. Mathews lost by a split vote. The crowd gave the boys a standing ovation. The program was conducted at the new Jacksonville Coliseum. Fort Benning won the open team trophy while Jacksonville Navy came in second. The most outstanding boxer in the open was Pat Brady, followed by Landy Dove.

In the novice division, Jax Navy took the team trophy and Wilder A.C. was next. The champs: 112—Tony Leano, USS Fox; 118—John Cloninger, Jax Navy; 126—Glen Shehee, Wilder A.C.; 135—Fred Rutherford, Fort Benning; 147—Sol Jenkins, Jax Navy; 160—William London, Wilder A.C.; 175—Bob Sutton, Donaldson AFB, and winner of the outstanding novice boxer trophy; heavyweight—Clark Muller, Jax Navy.

In the sub-novice division the team trophy went to Glen Myra and Eugene Skipper the most outstanding sub-novice boxer. He represents that playground as well. 112—George Cook, Southside YC; 118—Al Jewell, Lackawanna; 126—Eugene Skipper, Glen Myra; 135—Dennis Riggs, Glen Myra; 147—Pat Leddy, Glen Myra; 160—Robert Tucker, Glen Myra; 175—John Maddox, Lackawanna; heavyweight—Cosmo Roberts, Tallulah.

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NAT FLEISCHER SAYS:

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laughing. He enjoyed that talk immensely. It was the first time the writers saw Patterson in such good humor.

Barney Nagler, president of the Boxing Writers, made the presentation to Floyd. Ned Brown, a veteran of more than half a century of sports coverage, in N. Y. received the James J. Walker award for long and meritorious services. Among his many contributions to the sport, was his aid in getting the Walker Law, the model law for all boxing in our country, passed in 1920.

Others honored with special gifts were General Melvin Krulewitch, Chairman of the New York Commission; Humbert J. Fugazy, managing director of the Johansson-Patterson fight and Patterson's trainer, Dan Florio. It was the first time the writers had honored a trainer.

Since the dinner followed the Terry Downes-Paul Pender middleweight title fight in Boston, the British scribes, several London managers and Ted Waltham, secretary of the British Board of Boxing Control, were invited by the association. Waltham's talk on the need for unity, a universal system of scoring and the re-establishment of a World Championship Committee, met with popular approval. He blasted the N.B.A. for trying to rule world boxing.

Dave Ott, president of the N.B.A., gave a lengthy talk in which he protected his organization's policies.

In all, it was a dandy evening for boxing. The dirt of the past few months was forgotten for a time and boxing's glorious past was recalled with the appearance of thirty former world champions, many of whom have become powers in the business world.

More such gatherings and the misinformed who have brought the sport into disrepute will cease to be national headliners in the news.

ONE FOR THE CRUSADERS

A few weeks ago, when an amateur boxer, Sherman Walker, seventeen years old, died following a bout in Wheeling, West Virginia, the sports pages heralded the fatality as another in the vicious sport of boxing.

The *"Let's Kill Boxing"* Brigade, which has been flooding the country with attacks on glove contests, used this death, as was expected, to renew its campaign to have the sport outlawed. Yet when the coroner's report was issued and showed that the boxer's death was the result of illness rather than his boxing match, scarcely a line appeared except in the local Wheeling paper. Here is the report which should interest the anti-boxing crusaders, a report issued by the Ohio Valley General Hospital:

"The death of Sherman Walker was caused by pulmonary edema, or pneumonia, though the blow he received to the temple in the bout was a contributory cause. The primary cause, however, was the pulmonary edema or congestion."

The elimination of intercollegiate boxing by the National Collegiate Association, as a result of the death of Walter Mohr of Freeport, L. I., N. Y., a University of Wisconsin boxer six months ago, was not unexpected but is regretted. As one member of the Board stated, *"it wasn't so much Mohr's death that caused the action, as the lack of talent. There just aren't enough teams remaining from which to pick a truly national champion."*

"The N.C.A.A., said Walt Byers, Executive director, *"has only two colleges, Nevada and Chico State of California with regular teams. Under the circumstances there is no use continuing our post-season events any longer. San Jose, the champion, Wisconsin, Washington State and Sacramento State quit after Mohr's death and now Idaho State and the College of Idaho have done away with intercollegiate boxing."*

Though the championships have been discontinued, The Ring has learned that several colleges will stage intra-mural matches as part of the physical education program. Eight Far West colleges are permitting intercollegiate boxing but there will be no title bouts.

College boxing hit its peak in the 1950s when 31 institutions entered teams at Penn State. In 1952 there were 70 additional entries at Wisconsin's tournament. Louisiana State at the time sponsored the Southern invitation tournament with teams from Maryland, South Carolina, Virginia, Wisconsin and the Citadel competing.

Though the championships have been discontinued, the N.C.A.A. announced that it has not written off the sport entirely. The college boxing rules committee will continue to function for those colleges that have not given up boxing and for those likely to take it up in the near future.

At West Point and Annapolis and in all servicemen's camps, the sport is part of the post's recreation program despite the fact that the Army and Navy no longer compete in collegiate circles.

It seems strange that Uncle Sam sees fit to carry on a sport that is taboo in our leading colleges from which come many of the men who either participate in servicemen's championship matches or train the men. What's good for the Army, Navy, Marine Corps and Air Force should definitely be good enough for our boys.

The *"Let's Kill Boxing"* brigade might well digest President Kennedy's interview with Dave Garroway in which the President urged a tightening on soft living and the pampering of our youth to develop the physical fitness of our people.

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TEXAS BOXING NEWS
By Harlan Haas

SAN ANTONIO.—Benito Juarez (127) and Jose Fernandez (123) draw four rounds. Artie Clark (131) decisioned Israel Garza (130) four rounds. James Shelton (146) decisioned Sam Gray (147) four rounds. Sixto San Miguel (138) decisioned Atanacio Serna (134) six rounds. Frankie Duran (118½) decisioned Miguel Lassus (121½) ten rounds.

At Dallas.—Albert Deans (215) Tkayoed Randy Wyatte (205) one round. Lucky De-Lay (152) Tkayoed Jimmy Patterson (150) four rounds. Daulton Caro (150) and Willie Brown (152) Tdraw two rounds. Manuel Gonzalez (139) decisioned Henry Watson (140) ten rounds. Curtis Cokes (145) decisioned Joe Miceli (148) ten rounds.

At Beaumont.—E. H. Landa (149) decisioned Sam Gray (144) six rounds. Baltazar Flores (129) decisioned Benito Juarez (130) six rounds.

Artie Clark (120) kayoed Joey Gouldonio (118) two rounds. Vic Graffio (131) decisioned Tano Serna (129) ten rounds.

At Mercedes.—Raul Botello (137) decisioned Larry Molino (136) six rounds. Raymundo Aguirre (143) decisioned Regulo Landez (144) eight rounds. Juan Hernandez (145) decisioned Preciliano Aguirre (135) ten rounds.

At San Antonio.—Genaro Marones (132) decisioned Raymundo Lazo (136½) four rounds. Arnaldo Ojeda (125½) kayoed Alfredo Puente (126) three rounds.

Eluterio Landa (151) Tkayoed Rudy Martinez (155½) three rounds. Luis Leija (119) decisioned Jose Alba (119) ten rounds. Jesse Leija (131) kayoed Bobby Bell (130) one round.

Odds and Ends.—Bobby Dykes, not so long ago the top middleweight in the world, is doing okay for himself down Miami way. Bobby Dykes & Associates are the agents for The Old Line Life Insurance Co. of America, and Bobby employs ten agents. We knew Bobby when he was just getting started in the pro boxing game, and he was one of the best liked scrappers to ever come out of the Lone Star State.

Cleve "Big Cat" Williams is far from convinced that Sonny Liston is his master. The Big Cat can tip over any heavyweight he comes into contact with.

Roy Harris in training at Cut 'n Shoot, awaiting future matches.

Danny Felan, Benny King's latest find, looks as if he is all set to go places. He's a smooth boxer, and sharp puncher.

Rocky Randell is back in Houston, and the Rock is everyone's friend. He's one of the most active fighters in the ring today.

Van Bevil, the former middleweight scrapper who fought under the banner of Bobby Gleason and later Angelo Dundee, has one of the finest nightclubs in Houston—Van's Night Club—if you ever get to Houston be sure to drop by his place . . . The writer's address is 4903 Laurel, Bellaire, Texas.

OMAHA, NEBRASKA BOXING
By Lee Sloan

OMAHA HEAVYWEIGHT BILL NIELSON suffered his first professional defeat in a 10 round, main event, with Wayne Bethea of New York. Dr. John Ewing, ringside physician, said the 21 year old fighter was the victim of a temporary muscle spasm caused by a blow just below the hip.

The show grossed $8,807.00, approximately $500 more than my December card.

In the companion feature, Eddie Armstrong of Elizabeth, N. J., was very impressive in winning a unanimous decision over Joey Parks of Omaha.

Most pleasing of the card's five bouts was the lightweight duel between Lou Cappellano, Omaha, and rangy Jerry Mullen, Brownsville, Minn. Cappellano was the victor—emphatically—in a great fight.

NEW JERSEY BOXING NEWS
By Lew Eskin

BOXING GOT OFF TO A GOOD START IN JERSEY during the opening weeks of the new year with three shows.

Here are the month's results:

TRENTON—Don Warner, 190, Philadelphia, carried too many guns for Paul Wright, 177, Trenton, and stopped his man in 50 seconds of the fourth round. Don floored Paul twice in the second and again in the final round. Jim Tillis, 172, Newark, stopped James "Red" Brewer, 170½, Englishtown, in 40 seconds of the fourth in the semi-final.

In fours, "Tiger" Al Kelly, 172¼, Trenton, quickly finished off Herb Shaw, 164, in 1:45 in an all-local battle; Tommy Goss, 134, Trenton, won a thriller from Tom Lowery, 132, Philadelphia, in a slugfest; Vic Woodington, 153, Riverside, N. J., southpaw appeared to have an edge on John Blessas, 144, Greek youngster from New Brunswick, but had to settle for a draw; while Willie Green, 129½, outpunched Frankie Cooper, 125½, in an all-Trenton scrap. Joey Harrison and Mickey Greb shared the refereeing duties. Close to full house was on hand for the show promoted by Paul DeLorenzo.

TRENTON—Jimmy McMillan, 144, Trenton, punched his way to an easy triumph over Earl Owens, 136, Atlantic City before over 1,300 fans. Jimmy gained revenge for a draw between the pair last year. Referee Paul Cavalier scored it 8-2 for the localite.

In the semi-final, Jay Bee, 201, Trenton, returned to action after a long lay-off and halted Earl Atley, 198, Kenneth Square, Pa., in 1:13 of the fourth round with one right hand flush on the chin. In another six, Jimmy Hopkins, 162½, Philadelphia, outfought Eddie Bell, 162, Washington, to earn Mike Anotonelli's nod.

In the fours, C. L. Lewis, 139, Pleasantville, surprised Walter Wallace, 138, Philadelphia, and Joe Barcellona, 172, Garfield, toyed with Cornelius Brown, 183, New York.

TRENTON—Tom Lowery, 129½, Philadelphia, gained revenge for his loss last month to Trenton's Tommy Goss, 133½, when he halted Goss in 56 seconds of the third round. Referee Freddy Boston wisely stopped it, as Goss was helpless. In the co-featured six, Willie Green, 130½, Trenton, halted Billy Abell, 127½, Philadelphia, in 1:18 of the second, scoring four knockdowns.

In fours, Red Torpey, 134, Philadelphia, edged out Tito Romano, 132, Trenton, in a close one; Willie Law, 158½, Trenton, wilted in the last round and had to settle with a draw against Richie Johnson, 155, Philadelphia; Joe McIntyre, 169½, Philadelphia, won over Al Kelly, 170¼, Trenton; Joe Lowery, 130½, Philadelphia, brother of the main bout winner lost his pro debut to Frankie Cooper, 126¼, Trenton, and Joe Smith Cooper, 164½, Philadelphia, kayoed Vic Woodington, 156, Riverside, N. J., in 47 seconds of the opening round. Another sell-out crowd was on hand for this card.

SEEN & HEARD IN N. Y.

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had too many left hands for Young Jack Johnson, 244, formerly of Los Angeles, now fighting out of Marv Jenson's Utah stable. Bobby McLaurin, 140¼, Harlem, outpointed Jack Kelly, 138, West Side, in the opening four. The worst snowstorm of the winter kept the attendance down to about 900.

▶After giving a fine account of himself until the, James (J.D.) Ellis, 136½, Trenton, N. J., was unable to hold off the furious last-round assault of Len Matthews, 138½, Philadelphia, and was stopped with only 16 seconds remaining at the St. Nicholas Arena. Apparently awed by his opponent's reputation, Ellis made little effort to fight during the first three rounds, and absorbed some lusty punishment, but he began to fight back in the fourth and from then until the tenth he gave Matthews as much as he received. The pace was too much for him, however, and he didn't have to strength to check Matthews' all-out attack in the final round. A whistling right caught Ellis on the chin and dumped him on his back. He was up at six and took the mandatory eight on wobbling legs. Matthews tore in, and a left to the jaw sent Ellis crumbling to the canvas. At this point Referee Joe Pushkal halted the affair. Sammy Jordan, 169½, Union City, N. J., whipped Don Bailey, 169½, West Side, in the semi-final six. In fours, Mario Dedisco, 147, Harlem, won from Johnny Parks, 146, Bronx; Carl Daniels, 148, West Side decisioned Oscar Freeman, 150, Harlem; Clarence Ryan, 167, Harlem, whipped Jim McMillan, 165, Bronx, and Johnny Bean, 134½, Jamaica L. I. stopped Julio Santiago 139, Puerto Rico, at 2:12 of the second. Attendance 981; gross receipts $1,270.

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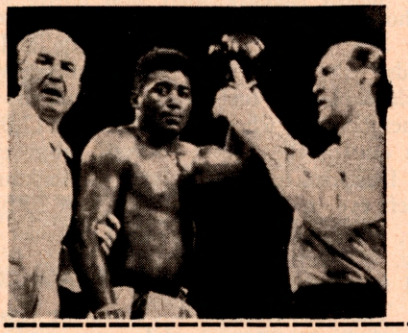

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Seen and Heard in new york

By JERSEY JONES

IN New York on a brief business visit, Gene Delmont, Mine Host at the swank Flamingo in Las Vegas, dropped into The Ring's headquarters to say hello.

Although we hadn't seen him since 1923, we had no difficulty recognizing him. A bit plumper perhaps, and wearing eye-glasses, but otherwise he'd changed little with the years. He hardly looked his age, 66. He seemed more like a successful businessman in his early 40s. More remarkable, he displayed few visible signs of a rugged ring career that began in 1910, ended in 1925, and embraced some 260 battles, many of them with the top featherweights, junior lightweights and lightweights of that flourishing era.

"I guess I was naturally thick-skinned and didn't bruise easily," he explained with a grin.

Out of Memphis, Delmont was no champion, but in his industrious ramblings along the highways and byways of this land of ours—plus a jaunt to Europe with the A.E.F. in World War I—Gene didn't miss many of the headliners scaling from 126 to 135 pounds. Short and stocky in build, Delmont was a strong, durable sort, and whether he won, lost or drew, he had a hustling, bustling style that invariably gave the customers the lively entertainment they paid for.

During his busy 15-year span in the ring, Delmont met up with such past, present and future champions as Ad Wolgast, Johnny Kilbane, Benny Leonard, Johnny Dundee, Rocky Kansas, Jack Bernstein, Jimmy Goodrich, Louis (Kid) Kaplan and Tod Morgan. Other headliners with whom he swapped wallops included Leach Cross, Willie Jackson, Joe Azevedo, Harvey Thorpe, Billy DeFoe, George (K.O.) Chaney, Andy Chaney, Frankie Rice, Johnny Shugrue and Joe Tiplitz. Only once in his entire career was a knockout registered against him, and it needed a Benny Leonard to do it. Benny stopped him in eight rounds in St. Paul.

"GENTLEMAN GENE"

"Gentleman Gene" they called Delmont. A natty dresser, he spoke in precise English, and we cannot recall that we ever heard him cuss. To him, everybody was "Mister." Everybody still is.

How did he happen to wind up as host at a popular Las Vegas casino?

"I always had a fascination for crowds, gaiety, excitement," he explained. "Night clubs and show business had a particular appeal to me. You may remember that when I was around New York, I appeared in one of the late Jimmy Hussey's Broadway shows. When I decided to quit boxing, after suffering an injury to my left eye in a bout with Tod Morgan in Hollywood in 1925, I became a sort of man-about-town in the movie colony. I made some good connections there. One thing led to another, and eventually I found myself in Las Vegas. That was eleven years ago. For a while I was at the Thunderbird. Three years ago I shifted to the Flamingo. I'm still there and quite happy about it all."

Has he retained his interest in boxing?

"I've never lost it," he said. "We have fights in Las Vegas, you know. One of the promoters of the Fullmer-Robinson bout, Red Greb, is an associate of mine at the Flamingo. Now and then I find time to catch a fight on TV, and I've seen a few bouts on trips to Los Angeles. I owe much to boxing. It gave me a chance to travel, to see places and meet people. No, I've never lost my interest in boxing, and I don't think I ever will."

ANENT AL THOMPSON

Among the guests invited to speak at the recent Boxing Writers' dinner at the Waldorf-Astoria, but didn't get the chance because the program dragged out too long, was Al Thompson, one-time Cincinnati lightweight, now Alfred C. Thompson of Richmond, Va., one of the world's outstanding merchandising executives. Only a few days before, at its annual convention in New York, Thompson had been reelected president of the National Retail Merchants Association, and he remained over to attend the Boxing Writers' party.

We've had occasion before in these columns to write of Thompson, another in the long parade of fighters who've made good in the business world since quitting the prize-ring.

Thompson was a better than average lightweight in an era that produced the greatest collection of 135-pounders the ring has known in any one span. Al enlisted in the Marines at the outbreak of World War I, served for a while as chief boxing instructor at the Parris Island boot camp, went overseas with the 11th Regiment, and resumed his ring career in Philadelphia when he was discharged there in 1919. Among his opponents were Joe Benjamin, Philadelphia Pal Moore, Cal Delaney, Harry Kid Brown and Johnny Mealey. His boxing helped to finance his way through the University of Pennsylvania. When he graduated, he quit the ring, and began his business career. Incidentally, Thompson was a founder and first president of the Veteran Boxers Association of Philadelphia.

Al is now executive vice president and general manager of the Miller & Rhoads department-store chain in Virginia, with four large centers in Richmond, Roanoke, Lynchburg and Charlottesville. As president, for the second successive year, of the National Retail Merchants Association, he is head man of a merchandising group embracing 11,000 department stores, mail-order houses, novelty shops, etc., in the U.S.A. (with 300 branches scattered throughout the world), and doing an annual gross business of 20 *billion dollars!*

Not too bad for an ex-fighter, eh?

ANENT JACK CONNOR

Once the fight bug gets into your system, it's a difficult job getting rid of it. From out Tacoma way we hear that Jack Connor, one of the grand old veterans of this trade, is back in circulation as a manager, after years of retirement.

We wouldn't know just how old Jack is, but we wouldn't be surprised if he's pushing the 80-year mark. His recollec-

tions of important bouts go back to the eras of Fitzsimmons, Jeffries, Ketchel and that crowd.

Connor handled quite a few good 'uns through the years. One of his proteges was Eddie (K.O.) Roberts, thumping Tacoman who nearly wrecked Joe Dundee's chance at the world welterweight title in 1927.

Dundee, elder of the Baltimore brothers, had completed a busy campaign in New York that established him as Champion Pete Latzo's No. 1 challenger. During 1926 Joe had been unbeaten in ten bouts, most of them in Madison Square Garden, and had eliminated such rival welters as Jack McVey, Jimmy Jones, Tommy Freeman, Willie Harmon, Jack Zivic and former champion Mickey Walker.

While negotiations were pending for a Latzo-Dundee match the following summer, Max Waxman, Joe's manager, thought he and his charge could use a well-deserved vacation. They'd never seen California, so that's where they headed.

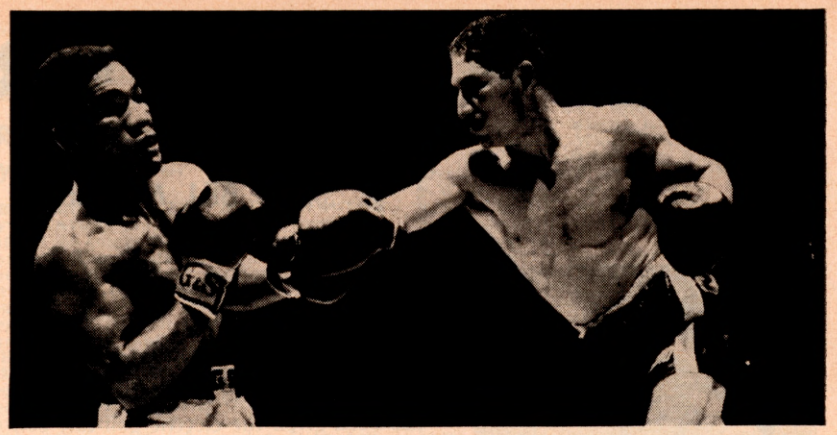
They had no intention of taking any fights during their "vacation," but while in San Francisco they decided to cover their expenses and at the same time give Californians a chance to look over the future champion. They didn't know much about Roberts, but considered him just a workout and accepted an offer to meet him.

The result was a real shocker. Dundee didn't have a chance to get going. Roberts came roaring out of his corner at the opening bell, and within a minute it was three downs and out for for Dundee.

That stunning development meant a return match in New York. Dundee had to wipe that defeat off his record or lose his coveted shot at Latzo and the title. Six weeks after the San Francisco debacle, Joe squared off with Roberts in Madison Square Garden. He won the decision this time in ten rounds, but had some narrow escapes from being flattened again, particularly in the fourth round when a left-right combination crashed against his chin and spilled him flat on his back. He survived, however, and went on to win in as desperate a brawl as the Garden has ever seen. Five months later, in the Polo Grounds, Dundee got his crack at Latzo, and became champion.

Getting back to Connor: Last time we saw him, about three years ago in Seattle, he had all the spryness and enthusiasm of a college sophomore, and was chattering of "getting back" into sock market operations, "just as soon as I can get hold of a kid who looks good to me." Apparently, Jack has found him. He's a young Filipino lightweight, Rudy Garcia, who's becoming a popular attraction in the Tacoma-Seattle area.

Lots of luck, Jack.



Rory Calhoun staggers from effects of Florentino Fernandez's savage punching in Madison Square Garden. Rugged middleweight sockfest ended in eighth round when a groggy Calhoun, stumbling up from a knockdown, was reeling helplessly against ropes.

THE month's results:

Although he seemed to have won by a fairly clear margin, Yama Bahama, 156, Bimini, had to be content with a draw at the end of a lively ten with Ted Wright, 153¼, Detroit, at St. Nicholas Arena. Bahama was aggressor most of the way and did some effective scoring with left hooks. Wright offered stiff opposition, and at times jolted Bahama with right counters, but the Detroiter did his fighting mainly in flurries whereas Bahama set a steady pace all the way. Referee Johnny LoBiancho thought Bahama had won by a close 5-4-1 count, but the two judges were unable to decide on a winner, and their cards came out even. Tony Rossi voting 5-5 in rounds and the same in points, and Herman Singer calling it 4-4-2 in rounds and 4 points for each. The veteran Joe Lissy, 156, Yorkville, edged out Tito Velez, 154½, Brooklyn, in the semi-final six. In fours, Carlos Quiles, 137½, Puerto Rico, decisioned Nino Malava, 137, Bronx; Tony Fortunato, 147½, Bronx, whipped Jimmy Dorsey, 145, Atlanta, Ga.; Les McFadden, 141, Jamaica, L. I. stopped Eli Paterson, 137, New Orleans, at 2:51 of the first, and Billy Daniels, 185½, West Side, halted Johnny Byrd, 183½, Hartford, Conn., at 1:07 of the second. Attendance 1,152; gross receipts $2,164.36.

▶It was a notable night at St. Nicholas Arena when (1) a comparative unknown from Cuba, Jose Stable, 141, registered a stunning surprise by whipping highly rated veteran Kenny Lane, 141, Muskegon, Mich., and (2) the officials were equally surprising by voting unanimously for him. What he lacked in technique and experience (it was only his 15th bout and his lone previous New York appearance had been in a Madison Square Garden preliminary), Stable more than offset with hustling, bustling aggressiveness. Undaunted by Lane's reputation and southpaw tactics, the Cuban crowded Kenny throughout, swinging away incessantly with both fists, and repeatedly forcing the veteran into clinches. Lane seemed slow, sluggish and clumsy, and displayed only occasional flashes of his one-time effectiveness. The semi-final, scheduled for six, ended at 2:19 of the fifth when Sam Edwards, 199, Newark, N. J., was disqualified for roughhouse tactics against a new arrival from Italy, Armando Bartoli, 216. It was a tough break for Edwards, who dropped the Italian three times during the bout and was winning easily when the affair was halted. In fours, Johnny Tucker, 156, Brooklyn, outpointed Walter Daniels, 157, Bronx; Felix Santiago 161, Puerto Rico, won from Julie Libonati, 168, Brooklyn; Bob Rapier, 222, Bronx, outmauled Sherman Adams, 217, Hartford, Conn., and Gil Diaz, 143½, Puerto Rico, decisioned Gabe Cavazos, 143½, Muskegon, Mich. Attendance 1,053; gross receipts $1,748.78.

▶Blasting left hooks gradually wore down his opponent and Florentino Fernandez, 156, Cuba, was credited with a knockout over Rory Calhoun, 160¾, White Plains, N. Y., when Referee Harry Kessler called a halt at 2:31 of the eighth in Madison Square Garden. Until the eighth round, it had been a fairly even affair between two lusty punchers, Fernandez relying mainly on left hooks and Calhoun on lunging rights. At the start of the eighth, however, it was obvious that the Cuban was weathering the rough going in better fashion than Calhoun. Rory was weakening and Fernandez, quick to sense it, accelerated his pace. He ripped a series of lefts into Calhoun's body, then shifted to Rory's head. A hook crashed against Calhoun's chin. Rory's legs buckled. Fernandez followed with a left-right combination to the jaw and Calhoun collapsed to the canvas. He stumbled up at the eight-count but reeled on rubbery legs into the ropes in his own corner. At this point Kessler intervened. Johnny Morris, 158¼, Pittsburgh, edged out Paul Diaz, 156¼, Cuba, in the semi-final eight. Former amateur star Vince Shomo, 147, Harlem, posted his fourth professional win by outpunching Lenny Sparks, 148, Halifax, N.S. In fours, Billy Roberts, 179, Brooklyn, had the better of Dom Smyer, 171½, Passaic, N. J.; Tony Fortunato, 147½, Bronx, grabbed a decision from Jimmy Dorsey, 146½, Atlanta, Ga., and Bob Fon Wong, 160, Devon, Mass., polished off Eddie Scurlock, 159½, Bronx, at 2:01 of the first. No official figures were released but the attendance looked about 2,500 with the gross receipts probably hitting around $6,000.

▶Appearing in a New York City ring for the first time since his preliminary days, Jackie Donnelly, 134½, Buffalo, made a fine impression on local witnesses by the manner in which he whipped willing, aggressive Benny Gordon, 135, Harlem, in a lively ten at St. Nicholas Arena. Donnelly started slowly but by the fourth round he had settled down to serious business and from then on the Buffalonian was boss of operations. He displayed plenty of speed, a fair amount of skill, and a busy pair of fists. Gordon fought stubbornly but Donnelly had just a bit too much equipment for him. For the second week in succession, the officials—Referee Arthur Mercante and Judges Bill Recht and Tom Dolan—came up with a unanimous decision for the winner. The semi-final, also over the ten-round route, produced an easy win for Freddie Mack, 173¼, Bronx, over Lino Rendon, 164¼, Cuba. In fours, Jose Rigores, 121, Cuba, whipped Eddie Gorman, 121½, Paterson, N. J.; Teddy Pagan, 161, Bronx, outpointed Jim McMillan, 166, Bronx, and Tommy Settles, 157, Jamaica, L. I., stopped Tom Blackburn, 157½, Harlem, at 1:51 of the first. In the turnout of 1,165 were Melvin Krulewitch, chairman of the State Athletic Commission, and Benny Paret, world welterweight champion. The receipts grossed $2,221.60.

▶Making the most of his Big Time debut on national television, unbeaten Joey Archer, 160¼, Bronx, left-handed his way to a split decision over Don Fullmer, 157¾, West Jordan, Utah, in an interesting ten in Madison Square Garden. Archer started slowly and seemed to have trouble in the early rounds with Fullmer's awkward style, patterned after brother Gene's, but not as rough. Archer gradually solved his opponent's tactics, however, and began to take charge at the half-way mark. From then on he poured a steady stream of jabs and hooks into Fullmer's head and body. Don fought back grimly but Archer was too shifty for him. Neither boy was in serious trouble at any time and the only visible damage to either was a trickle of blood from Fullmer's nose. Judge Leo (Bobby Dawson) Birnbaum thought Fullmer's early lead entitled him to a draw, but he was outvoted by Referee Jimmy Devlin and Judge Frank Forbes, who tabbed for Archer. The victory stretched the Bronxite's winning skein to 31. In the semi-final eight, Canadian middleweight champion Wilfie Greaves, 161, Edmonton, reversed a previous decision by edging out Obdulio Nunez, 158, Puerto Rico, in a brawl that teemed with action all the way. In ten Lanky Cortez Stewart, 186½, Harrisburgh, Pa., spotted nearly 60 pounds but

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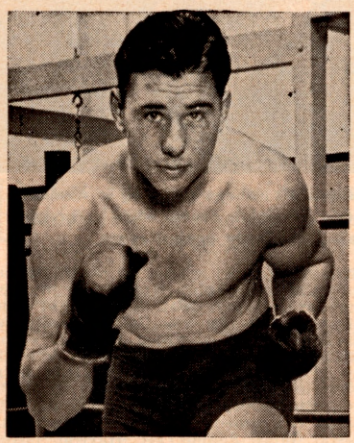
IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA

By BILL MILLER



Lee Ramage—he fought Joe Louis twice—has been given the electric golf-cart concession at San Diego courses. He has done well since he quit the ring. It is always nice to learn that one of your favorite fighters is doing well since he hung up the gloves.

CARLOS ORTIZ, 137½, scored a near "shutout" win over Cisco Andrade, 138, at the Olympic Auditorium, L. A., before a crowd of about 6,500. Gross gate, $14,200. Each fighter got 27½ percent.

The official scoring: Judges Frankie Van and Jimmy Wilson, scored it 11-0 and 12-0, respectively. Referee Tommy Hart was more conservative; his tally was 7-1. All for the Puerto Rican Pepper-pot.

As for the fight: well, I'll quote some of the writers. Morton Moss, Examiner, says it was so dull that "from the fifth round on the hoots grew so loud and insistent that there was a suspicion that 6500 owls had invaded the joint disguised as people."

George Main, Herald-Express: "The fight failed to produce ahy explosive action . . . fans found it rather boring at times and bombarded the contestants with volleys of boos."

Art Ryon, Times: "Ortiz . . . gave Andrade a boxing lesson."

John Hall, Mirror: "A shutout is just about what it was."

Andrade was indignant after the fight: he thought he was entitled to a much better score from the officials. "After I nailed him in the fourth", he told John Hall, "he went ihto hiding. He was afraid to trade with me." Cisco actually felt he had won.

This bout was not televised. It had been advertised that the winner would get Joe Brown in a title match, but the fight was so lack-luster that it is doubtful if such a scrap would draw more than a corporal's guard in L.A.

In the televised ten, Alfredo Escobar, 129½, stablemate of Andrade, scored a 5th round knockout over Ruben Munoz, 131—his third straight win on the comeback trail. This boy Escobar apparently means business. More power to him; he's a fine youngster.

In the six-round semi, Jimmy Fields, 134, won the unanimous verdict over Fidel Lucero, 138, in an excellent shindig.

The four-rounders: Angel Soto, 160, drew with Floyd Buchanan, 155; and Ronnie Harris, 137, drew with Joe Rodriguez, 139.

Johnny Smith, California middleweight champion, 156¾, got off to a bad start as a pro, but he has shot up the ladder, step by step to a record of 15-3. And in his last start, at the Olympic, L. A., he successfully defended his title by knocking out Neal Rivers, 159, in the 8th round of a scheduled 12.

The Smith, a mighty man is he—and he'll be mightier still with a few more fights under his belt. He has won ten of his 15 wins via kayo; and this was his fourth straight knockout. A man to watch, indeed. He's only 22, and may wind up as a light-heavy.

This was the non-televised bout.

In the TV-ten, young Teddy Rand, 128, stopped southpaw Kenny Davis, 128½, who was attempting a comeback, in the 4th. Davis is a bleeder, and a cut eye brought about his downfall.

In the semi, slated for six, Tony Herrera, 124½, kayo over Tino Zaragoza, 127; Round 1. The fours: Angel Soto, 159, drew with Floyd Buchanan, 156½; Frank Bradbury, 156, dec. Billy Walker, 147; and Al Grant, 144, dec. Joe White, 147¾.

▶A pretty movie actress, name Joi Lansing, plans to take out a manager's license and pilot Big Bob Albright, heavyweight.

Joe Lyou, staff writer of the MIRROR, starts off his clever yarn with "Who says boxing isn't in good shape?"

There is no question about the pulchritude of the pilot. She's appearing in a TV thing named "Klondike", and as an old cynic, I'm wondering if this was a p.a. gimmick. Oh, well; press agents gotta live, too. Don't ask "Why?"

Speaking of Albright, back in 1955 this writer was in charge of publicity for the Rocky Marciano-Don Cockell title fight in San Francisco. We arranged a "British Empire Day" at Cockell's camp in nearby San Rafael. Albright was selected to spar with the bulky Briton. He did. He tossed a left hook, seconds after the first bell, and down went Cockell, flat on the back of his lap. About 500 Britishers were on hand to cheer for Cockell. The late Harry Mendel, one of my assistants, was in charge of the Cockell camp. He asked me if it would be a criminal offense to shoot Albright. "Under the circumstances, it's a misdemeanor" I said.

▶It was billed as a twelve-rounder for the State featherweight title, but it took Danny Valdez, 125½, only 2:32 of Round 1 to flatten Boots Monroe, 126, at the Olympic Auditorium, L. A. This was the non-televised fight of the program, witnessed by about 3,000 cash customers.

Valdez is now managed by Enrique Bolanos, one of the most popular fisticians in California ring history. Coming atop of his two straight wins over Ricardo Gonzales, Argentina, Danny's prestige has greatly increased. He's in line for big stuff now.

The TV portion of the program: Alfredo Escobar, 130, stopped Irish Noel Humphreys, 132, in the 5th round of a scheduled ten—an impressive victory.

There was a kayo, also, in the semi-final, a six-rounder. Danny Perez, billed as the Golden Boy from Costa Mesa, wearing a gaudy gilded outfit from head to toe, was knocked out by plain Bob Conrad of Gardena in round 3. Both weighed 160.

The fours: Joe Newman, 147, dec. Joe White, 145½; William Walker, 145, dec. Frank Bradbury, 145; and Ron Harris, 140, dec. Jose Rodriguez, 142.

What tickled Cal and Aileen Eaton, the promoters, was the ringside presence of well-known celebs, including Richard (Paladin) Boone; comedian Don Rickles, and pitcher Johnny Podres.

▶In case you're interested, California law specifies the weight differential in all divisions, thusly: 112 to 118, 3 lbs.; 118 to 126, 5 lbs.; 126 to 135, 7 lbs.; 135 to 147, 9 lbs.; 147 to 160, 11 lbs.; and 160 to 175, 12 lbs.

What brings this up? Oh, I was just thinking about that weight differential between Carmen Basilio and Gaspar Ortega—10½ lbs. Carmen had signed for 155, came in at 159½. His punishment: the New York Commission said: "You're a ba-a-a-d boy!"

▶An artistic success but a financial flop: that was the L. C. Morgan-Eddie Perkins fight at the Olympic Auditorium, L. A. Morgan won the unanimous decision, an important victory, for Perkins has been among the 135-lb. top ten for quite a few months.

In order to get the fight, Morgan's pilot, John Czimbal, had to guarantee Perkins $3250. The net gate was $2807, and Morgan's end was 50% of that. The loss, about $1850. Morgan, 139; Perkins, 139.

This particular fight was not televised, but the rest of the program, including a 10-rounder between Eddie Alvarado and Abe Villa, was. Alvarado, 119¼, knocked out Villa, 118½, in the 6th.

Scoring in the Morgan-Perkins scrap: Referee George Latka, 6-4; Judge Lee Grossman, 5-4; Judge Tommy Hart, 6-3—all for Morgan.

In the six-round semi, Quan James, 119, dec. Bernie Montano, 120—a very good fight, and rewarded with a silver shower. The four-rounders: Al Rocha, 129½, dec. Joey Clements, 129; and Ron Harris, 139, dec. Walt Varez, 138.

Incidentally, this is the procedure the Olympic Auditorium plans this year; a main event, featuring rated or very popular scrappers, non-televised; plus another ten, with local kids approaching stardom, a six, and two fours, all televised.

This was a gimmick employed in wrestling matches, and it proved successful. George Parnassus expects it will do as well in boxing.

Gene Doyle, long a leading figure in sports promotion of all kinds, has retired. He admits to 75. Seems to me that I know him longer than that—however: Gene took Babe Ruth on a tour of Japan; managed Jess Willard on his comeback; staged major league baseball exhibitions; managed Hollywood Legion Stadium in the very early Thirties, and promoted wrestling at Huntington Park.

Everybody liked Gene; no one liked him more than I.

Aileen Eaton, wife of Promoter Cal Eaton of the Olympic Auditorium, was roughed up, bound, gagged and robbed of about $5,000 in jewelry, cash and clothes. The stick-up occurred in the driveway of the Eaton home.

Three days later, four suspects were apprehended.

Joe Glaser, an old friend—he managed Eddie Shea in Chicago about 35 years ago, and is now a big-time theatrical agent—predicts that this third Patterson-Johansson match may garner as much as $10,000,000 on theater TV.

"They'll take in as much as two million in the New York area alone", Joe told Sid Ziff of the L. A. MIRROR.

H'mmm. Ten million is a big number. Even if you say it fast.

▶The customers always write—even when they're wrong. A reader of Sid Ziff's column in the Mirror offers a list of the ten-best middleweights, as follows: 1—Harry Greb; 2—Mickey Walker; 3—Ray Robinson; 4—Marcel Cerdan; 5—Tony Zale; 6—Rocky Graziano; 7—Jake La Motta; 8—Tiger Flowers; 9—Fred Apostoli; and 10—Ceferino Garcia.

But Sid protects himself by listing Nat Fleischer's best-ten, which is much more to my liking: 1—Stanley Ketchel; 2—Tommy Ryan; 3—Harry Greb; 4—Mickey Walker; 5—Ray Robinson; 6—Frank Klaus; 7—Billy Papke; 8—Les Darcy; 9—Mike Gibbons; and 10—Jeff Smith.

As a former manager, if I had by pick of the foregoing, I'd take Mickey Walker first. That's from a manager's standpoint; a guy who'd fight any man, any weight, any time; ask no questions, never quibble over terms. Yeah; a dream-fighter.

Los Angeles will be well represented at Las Vegas when Gene Fullmer and Sugar Ray Robinson clash in their third meeting. It will be Sugar Ray's eighth crack at the middleweight crown, a record that may never be broken—unless he breaks it himself!

▶Irrepressible Archie Moore is right there with the quip and the wise crack, and he never runs out of answers. If they're not always accurate, they're always interesting, entertaining or amusing. He told Red Smith: "New York gives me 10 or 15 days to sign for a title match. How can they say they're giving me sufficient time when I had to wait 16 mortal, flamin' years for my chance?

"Why, a man is losing his American rights if he isn't able to negotiate. And when you've got a man like Doc Kearns taking

one-third of your earnings, you just can't afford to fight unless the money is there. I can't afford it and Doc can't afford it. Poor old Doc, he needs the money."

Is is quite conceivable that Archie needs it, too. He's a good spender.

▶Art Ryon of the TIMES has taken over the fistic chores, and he's doing a good job. He succeeds Cal Whorton and John de la Vega, in that order—both good men, and valued friends of this writer.

In TACOMA, WASH.
By Ruggles G. Larson

TACOMA—Lightening quick Rudy Garcia jabbed and punched his way to a unanimous decision over Joey Lopez, 134½, Seattle, in ten rounds. Jimmy (Bang-Bang) Walker, 134, Portland, Ore., stopped a poorly conditioned Frank Talaga, 136, Seattle, in the fifth. In the third ten rounder, Bill Bailey, 159, Tacoma, displayed remarkable craftsmanship in decisioning game Willie Jennings, 157, Seattle.

Cecil Mott, 145, Ft. Lewis soldier via Portland, Ore., decisioned Mike Gilman, 146, Seattle, in the four round opener. The Inigo Luchessi promotion drew a sparse gathering of 702.

Spokane's hard punching Kirk Barrow, 177, knocked out Sixto Rodriquez in the fifth at San Francisco. The Inland Empire fans are now clamoring for a Barrow-Bobo Olson fight.

▶**Spokane**—Eighth ranked Carl 'Bobo" Olson, 176, Portland, Ore., stopped the winning streak of Bobby Daniels, by decisioning the 172 pounder from Duluth, Minnesota.

In a companion ten rounder, Jimmy Grow, 135, Lewiston, Idaho, was upset by Mike Coronado, 144, Corpus Christi, Texas.

In other bouts, Cal Brown, 156, Spokane, TKO'd Jimmy King, 160, L. A., in the 5th. Doug Eiler, 146, Clarkston, Wash., TKO'd Lee Como, 143, Yakima, Wash., in two.

A crowd of 2,573 paid to see the Spokane Coliseum card.

▶**Tacoma**—The following Pacific Northwest amateur boxers were crowned at the 13th annual Tacoma Golden Gloves: 112 lbs.—Pete Gonzales, 119 lbs.—John Howard, 125 lbs.—Jodie Harris, 132 lbs.—Ples Gilmore, 139 lbs.—Ed Richey, 147 lbs.—Al Thompson, 156 lbs.—Herb Le'Sueur, 165 lbs.—George Wright, 178 lbs.— Leo Dobbs, and Hvy.—Art Gilmore.

▶**Seattle**—Pete Rademacher, 202, of Grandview, Wash., now residing in Columbus, Ga., won easily over Donnie Fleeman, 185, Midlothian, Texas. This was Rademacher's first bout in Seattle since his professional debut against Floyd Patterson for the heavyweight title. A crowd of 2,950 saw the fight.

In an eight round semi-final, Amos Lincoln, 206, Portland, Ore., stopped Eddy Jackson, 196, L. A., in the second. Sid Flaherty's outstanding prospect, Thad Spencer, 196, Portland, Ore., decisioned Harvey Tayler, 177, Seattle, in eight.

In a four round prelim, Willie Jennings, 160, Seattle, decisioned Mike Gilman, 152, Seattle. In the opener, Carl Jorgensen, 140, Portland, Ore., knocked out Julian Pinzin, 132, L. A., in the second.

ARK-LA-TEX JABS
By Bill McIntyre

DECEMBER AND JANUARY TURNED OUT TO BE SKIMPY MONTHS on the Ark-La-Tex's bill of fare except for a brief amateur appetizer. The second annual Tri-States Silver Gloves Tournament was reeled off at Shreveport's Municipal Auditorium and pulled in 420 paying patrons.

The Tri-States at Shreveport did uncover a flashy heavyweight hammerer in 29-year-old Bill Whipkey, a boys' club director from Longview, Tex. Whipkey, a former European Air Force, Oklahoma and Missouri state champion, had won 71 of 78 bouts and 11 assorted Golden Gloves titles before bowling into the Tri-States.

In the T-S finals he toyed with Louisiana Golden Gloves champion Pat Harrington, a 32-year-old schoolteacher, and stamped himself as a brilliant battler. Longview claims two standout boxers in the area in Whipkey and light heavyweight Pat Parrish.

TRI-STATES CHAMPIONS—Heavyweight, Whipkey; Light Heavy, Mills McCawley, Shreveport; Middleweight, Buddy Shaver, Springhill; Welterweight, Dale Watson, Shreveport; Lightweight, Conley Adams, Winnfield; Featherweight, Steve Blount, Shongaloo; Bantamweight, Leo DeLaRosa, Texarkana; Flyweight, Gene Cortinez, Shreveport.

Amateur boxing material is abundant in the area—Whipkey and Harrington (27-6), Adams (26-5-1), Blount (12-3), DeLaRosa (38-6) and Cortinez (113-19)—but nobody around to tap it. With no professional outlets in North Louisiana the local swingers prefer to remain amateur until in their mid-30s.

FROM THE PHILIPPINES
By Felipe J. C. Galang

ARMANDO BESA, THE BOY PROMOTER OF MANILA, started his 1961 promotion with a flyweight elimination at the Besa Boxing Arena of Manila with Baby Demilliones and Romy Sison as head liners. The former won by a spit decision after 10 rounds. Romy was the favorite but was weakened in the last rounds with the body punches of the southpaw rival.

Baby Espinosa, 111, kayoed Rex Ricardo, 113, in the second round. Boy Anastacio, 133, decisioned Young Agres, 133 in 4. Jess de Leon, 115, bested Speedy Garcia, 113, in 6. Carlito Padilla, 107, outpunched Henry Acido, 106, in another 6 rounder. Dory Articulo, 118, drew with Henry Toledo, 119, in 4. Vic Ibanes, 120, defeated Star Valdez, 120, in 4 round curtain raiser.

▶Rey Asis, 121, the best prospect in the bantam division, won a unanimous decision over Marcing David, 121, in 10 rounds at the Besa Boxing Arena. In the middle of the 1st round, Rey caught David with a right to the chin that almost sent him to the canvas. From then on, Marcing fought like a scared rabbit followed closely by his heavy punching opponent.

The only round which David won by a slight margin was in the 6th. It looks like Rey Asis will be the next bantam king of the Philippines.

Carlito Padilla, 107, won over Lory Articulo, 108, in 6. Gali Goyena, 111, bested Star Rodriguez, 112, in 6. Tur Agarao, 123, defeated Hermie Magbanua, 123, in another 6 rounder. In the 4 rounders: Leo Regaspe, 110, decisioned Speedy Albert, 110. Filx Mendy, 121, stopped Young Digman, 120, in 4. Carlo Arboleda, 123, bested Noli Garcera, 122, in the opening.

▶Fil Ravalo, 126, halted Onsap Laemfapha, 126, in the 7th of a scheduled 10 rounder in Davo City. Onsap, recognized as one of the toughest featherweights to make the Philippine rings gave up the fight at the end of the 7th. He received everything the Filipino could dish out but refused to go down.

Warrior Mangubat, 135, halted Baby Marciano, 134, in 2. Little Borlaza, 116, bested Frisco Saquin, 117, in 6. Kid Rodilla, 111, kayoed Rufo Runolo, 113, in 1. Rush Rogelio, 115, bested Flash Barsi, 117, in 4. Rocky Bruno, 120, outpointed Lightning Pakat, 120, in 4. Insular Boy, 112, stopped Young Gony, 111, in 2. Red delos Santos, 110, decisioned ABC Junior 109, in the 4 round opener.

▶Jae Keun Yang, 126, of Korea knocked out veteran Vic Fuentes, 126, of Visayas in the 4th of a scheduled 10 rounder at the Abellana Stadium of Cebu City.

Arthur Persley, 136 and an American invader drew with Leo Alonzo, 138, in a 7th round technical draw. They collided with their heads in the 7th and both suffered deep cuts and referee Leo Espinosa halted the bout and decided it a draw.

▶Atty. Vincente S. Umali, who once promoted the Leo Espinosa-Little Cezar oriental bantamweight championship that filled the Coliseum with 15,000 people in an 11,500 capacity stadium, is back in boxing. A world traveler, politician, businessman, sportsman, the Filipino boxing fans pick him as the next Jes Cortes in boxing promotion. I wish the best of luck to the new promoter.

SOUTH AFRICAN NEWS
By Brian Rakoff

NON-EUROPEAN BOUTS — SPORTS GROUNDS, JOHANNESBURG — Lightweights Sexton Mabena, 131½, former featherweight king, scored a fine comeback when he defeated Transvaal's top boxer, Jerry Moloi in the second. Mabena had lost his crown to Levy Madi after Mabena had returned from a British Isles tour.

On the same bill Battling Phillemon Tshabalala became the new Transvaal middleweight champion when he koed Elijah "Joe" Flash Nyakaka, holder, in the sixth. Transvaal feather champ Elias Baby Face Tshabalala defeated Killer Madela of Durban, stopping him in the fourth when he retired.

▶**EUROPEAN RESULTS**—1961 got off to a fine start when before a packed Johannesburg City Hall, three South African title holders won inside the distance. Dennis Adams, flyweight king and British Empire holder, successfully defended his newly won bantam title, stopping the former holder, Graham Van Der Walt in the fifth round. Twice before Van Der Walt had stopped Adams.

In a light heavyweight non-title bout, Mike Holt, South African champion, made short work of Ernie Rocco, stopping him in 1.51 of the first round.

Gert Van Heerden, South African middleweight title holder who recently returned from England where he was unbeaten, stopped Hannes Wiese in the third round. The seconds tossed in the towel. He had previously stopped Wiese in the first round.

▶Willie Toweel has announced his retirement. Mike Holt will be leaving shortly for New Zealand for a campaign as will Benny Nieuwenhuizen.

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CANADIAN MARITIMES
By Fred Bishop

SYDNEY, N. S.—Gordie McDougall, 182, South Bar, stopped Kid Legacy, 192, Bathurst, N. B. in the fourth rd. of a scheduled eight as Referee Pordena Smith stopped the fight at the 1.14 mark to save Legacy from serious injury. Legacy was a big disappointment as he gave a very sluggish performance as he reeled around on rubbery legs for the greater part of the first three rounds having no defense for McDougall's hard left hooks.

The semi-final of six ended at 1.25 of the first round as undefeated Basil Arsenault, 172, Mira N.S. stopped Billy MacLean, 160, Bathurst. Before ending it with a overhand right, Arsenault had decked MacLean for a eight count with a left hook seconds after the opening bell sounded.

In fours: Tyrone Gardiner, 137, Sydney wasted no time on Young Hachey, 135, Bathurst, knocking him cold midway through the first.

Colin McPhail, 162, South Bar, outpointed veteran Sugar Ray Mascoll, 167, Whitney Pier, in an action filled fight.

NEW ORLEANS BOXING
By Ike Morales

CO-PROMOTERS LOU MESSINA AND CURLEY GAGLIANO signed Joey Giardello and Ralph Dupas following Ralph's decisive victory over Antonio Marcilla, the importee from the Argentines.

The fight, staged in St. Mary's Recreation Center, came to an abrupt halt after 1:17 of the ninth round when Referee Francis Kercheval disqualified Marcilla for repeated head butts. The third man had warned the visitor in the second and third rounds and after resuming these tactics in the ninth, stopped the contest. Dupas was on his way to a clear-cut victory when the end come.

Despite the one-sideness in the scoring by the officials, with two officials giving Ralph eight rounds and the other seven, Marcilla gave a good account of himself.

Following the fight, Marcilla admitted he butted Dupas, but blamed his actions on Ralph, claiming Dupas had started it in the early rounds.

▶Because the Municipal Auditorium has been booked solid with Carnival balls, the Dupas-Marcilla fight was shifted to St. Mary's Recreation Center in the head of the famed French Market section of the city. It was the first professional show staged at St. Mary's where regular amateur shows are held.

▶Dupas, a 3-1 favorite, weighed 145½ pounds, Marcilla, 144. The victory was Dupas' 86th as a pro. His complete record now stands at 86-14-6. The gate was $2361 with about 1000 paid customers in attendance.

Ralph's brother, Tony, 147½, did not have as much success in the six-round semi-final, losing a splitter to Nolan Duplessis, 149½.

Two Mississippi battlers came through with victories in the four rounders. Henry Mosco of Cleveland, Miss., defeated Kenny Marchant of Jefferson Parish, while Lee Langley of Greenville, whipped Frank Evans.

▶Jack Dempsey—that's correct—is the new fight announcer at local fights. Not the old Manasas Mauler, but one who pounds another beat—the police beat for The States-Item.

▶Bonnie Geigerman is back in the fight game. The New Orleans sportsman who broke into the bashing business as manager of Bernard and Maxie Docusen and later tossed his hat into the promotional field, has returned as matchmaker for the newly organized Magnolia Athletic Club. Promoter for the new venture is Joseph Jurisich, owner and operator of the Jurisich Transfer and Storage Co.

▶Lou Messina, for a number of years a leading fight promoter and matchmaker, is associated with "Curley" Gagliano as the other promoting organization.

EUROPEAN GOSSIP

BY CHARLIE PARISH

THE New Year kicked off fairly quietly, the only outstanding bouts being Davey-Moore-Lamperti in Paris, Mildenberger-Harold Carter in Berlin, Rinaldi-Sonny Ray in Rome and Risberg-Halafihi in Sweden. Lamperti was beaten on points, the remaining bouts were won by the Continentals.

Three Italians, Rino Borra, Ugo Milan and Angelo Rampin were all defeated on an Anglo-Italian bill in London, their adversaries being Brian Curvis, Gilroy and Caldwell respectively. French bantam, Michel Lamora, upset highly-rated Roy "Bomber" Beaman in Berlin but Ulli Ritter, German heavyweight, was soundly beaten by Joe Erskine. In Australia, Bruno Visintin continues to beat all comers, his latest victim being Peter Reed, the middles champion.

Here are the month's results:

▶ **Berlin, Germany**—Although there was not one German or European champion featured on the Sports Palace bill, no less than 8,000 fans crammed the stadium, which may encourage the Goettert-Englert promoting tandem to stage more frequent programs in Berlin. Topping the bill was the young heavyweight prospect, Karl Mildenberger, whose excellent win over Cavicchi in Italy had encouraged the promoters to match him against Harold Carter.

The American was a top flight battler when he joined the U. S. Army in 1957 but since then has been more or less inactive, winning several bouts against third-raters but losing before the limit against Alex Miteff and Nino Valdes. Mildenberger, 184, was unimpressed by the American's imposing record and went straight into the attack, moving nimbly in and out of Carter's defenses and landing telling blows with good effect. A crisp left hook sat Carter on the deck in the third for "8." In the seventh round, Mildenberger was all over the dazed soldier, lambasting his man with both hands. The referee halted the fight just as the towel floated in the ring from Carter's corner.

The remaining bouts were of similar high quality. The latest heavyweight hope, Gerhard Zech, had a tough job subduing Jose Gonzalez of Spain despite a two-stone pull in weight and won via the points route in eight rounds.

Helmut Ball, 177, forced Mariano Echevarria, 186, another Spaniard to retire in the fourth round and young Peter Goschka, 133, scored a sensational victory over Rudi Langer, knocking the veteran out in the fourth round. Stefan Redl, 148, had to pull out all the stops to defeat game Manfred Graus over eight and in the curtain-raiser, Berlin cruiser Peter Gumpert was lucky to obtain the nod over Rudi Nehring after six rounds of hard battling.

▶ **Cremona, Italy**—Mario Pallavera, local lightie who has come on steadily, continued with the good work by outscoring tough Manolo Garcia of Spain over ten hard rounds whilst another senor, Juan Fernandez, was rocked to sleep in the third round of a one-sided welter clash with Rino Borra.

▶ **San Sebastian, Spain** — Antonio Ramos, local feathers star, celebrated Christmas in great style, beating Ricardo Navarro over twelve rounds for the vacant national title.

On the same day that Ramos won the feathers title, Albornoz tangled with Fred Galiana at Santa Cruz and from the opening round it was evident that he lacked the experience, strength and skill to dislodge the Toledo Blade from leadership of the lightweight brigade. Galiana won every round and knocked out Sombrita in the ninth, thus retaining his title.

▶ **Paris—The Palais des Sports** was only half-filled for the Ruellet-Diouf middles clash, doubtless due to the televising of the program. Ruellet had not recovered from a rib injury sustained in his last bout and fought way below his usual best.

Both Ruellet and Diouf are seasoned warriors and the bout deteriorated into a regular maul, with Diouf very lucky to get the decision after ten rounds. Ruellet's title was not at stake but the defeat broke his unbeaten run.

Ahmed Sebane, promising welter comer, scored a close points win over Hector Constance, the veteran from Trinidad and Pierre Vetroff was on the losing end of an upset

Lennart Risberg, Swedish light heavyweight, who after winning a decision over Johnny Halafihi of Tonga gained him a place in the world ratings, marking the first time that two Swedish boxers have been rated at the same time.

affair when he was outfought by the classy Italian Federico Scarponi, in a bantam ten. Barcelo defeated Thomas Makoulet in a welter eight and Menibouru drew with Moreau in a lightie eight.

▶ **Iseghem, Belgium** — Harko Kokmeyer, Dutch middles champion, outscored the Algerian trial-horse, Ali Amrane, over ten rounds whilst his team-mate, Curly Ko from Surinam, was beaten by Gerard Alloo in a lightie eight.

▶ **Gothenburg, Sweden**—There was a packed house when Edvin Ahlqvist arranged his program at the Mass Halle, with 5,300 fans paying $23,000 to watch Lennart Risberg pit his youth and strength against the toughness and experience of Johnny Halafihi. "Hell-fire" Johnny from Tonga is perhaps not quite the force he was, but still rates as a severe test. Risberg caused the Tongan some worry in the opening round when he ripped in with powerful hooks to head and body and had the visitor groggy.

Risberg's victory after eight rounds was not disputed by the Tongan corner.

In a ten-round affair, Thoerner Ahsman practiced his powerhouse right on tough Ulli Ritter of Germany, who soaked up considerable punishment but never lost his footing. In the seventh he dropped the Swede for "8" with a right hook to the midriff but for most of the bout, it was Ahsman who made the fight and Ritter was lucky to obtain a draw verdict.

Tivador Balogh, naturalized Hungarian, gained an unpopular decision over Pentti Rautiainen in a somewhat one-sided feathers fray and Lajos Flesser, also from Hungary, was outclassed and outscored by Sugar Ray of Holland in a bantam six.

Pekka Kokkonen, knockout ace from Finland, met up with Holland's Henny van Berkum for the third time and on this occasion sent his foe to dreamland in round two after dropping him twice. Kokkonen is now in Florida helping Ingemar Johansson prepare for his third tilt at Floyd Patterson.

▶ **Lyons, France**—Prior to his bout with Helmut Ball, Mariano Echevarria journeyed to the Silk City to do battle with towering Paul Schiller, local heavy with an unbeaten run to his credit. Echevarria upset the dope by trouncing Schiller via the points route in a rough and tumble ten.

Blond Pierre Mondino moved up into the middles sector to outscore Georges Angelini, also in ten.

▶ **Dunkirk**—Maurice Devillers knocked out Edmond Nore in the ninth round of a welter dispute.

▶ **St. Brieuc**—Francois Pavilla outdistanced Cesar Fuentes of Spain in a welter ten.

▶ **Tunis**—Hippolyte Annex disputed his first bout beyond the shores of France when he tackled the veteran Belgian, Jef Janssens. From the opening gong there was only one fighter in the ring and Janssens decided to retire in the sixth round after taking a short count. Later in February, Annex fought a draw with Isaac Logart in Paris.

▶ **Paris**—The name and fame of Davey Moore guaranteed a full house when the World Champion topped the card at the Palais des Sports. His opponent was the blond Corsican, Gracieux Lamperti, a tough little terrier in the best traditions of French featherweights and a worthy successor to the likes of Criqui, Routis, Humery and Famechon. Both fighters weighed over the featherweight limit with Lamperti some three pounds heavier than the American.

Moore proved to be a non-stop battler in the Henry Armstrong style and Lamperti fought at top speed to hold off the American's attacks. In the third round, Moore swiped the Corsican with a sizzling left hook to the jaw that dumped Gracieux on the deck for "9" but the European champion appeared unshaken by the knockdown and fought back in sharp bursts of in-fighting that made Moore give ground.

Lamperti fought well in the fourth, dropped Moore for an instant in the fifth and in the sixth round he slammed over a left hook which brought Moore to the deck for a count of "3". Possibly nursing his chin,

CONTINENTAL RATINGS

(FOR THE MONTH ENDING FEBRUARY)

HEAVYWEIGHTS	CRUISERWEIGHTS	MIDDLEWEIGHTS	WELTERWEIGHTS
1. Ing. Johansson (SW)	Erich Schoeppner (G)	Gustav Scholz (G)	Duilio Loi (I)
2. Hans Kalbfell (G)	Guilio Rinaldi (I)	Peter Mueller (G)	Bruno Visintin (I)
3. Karl Mildenberger (G)	Germinal Ballarin (F)	Marcel Pigou (F)	Hippolyte Annex (F)
4. Sante Amonti (I)	Paul Roux (F)	Laszlo Papp (HY)	Fortunato Manca (I)
5. Albert Westphal (G)	Lennart Risberg (SW)	Giancarlo Garbelli (F)	Chris Christensen (D)
6. Franco Cavicchi (I)	Dieter Wemhoener (G)	Jean Ruellet (F)	Stefan Redl (G)
7. Thoerner Ahsman(SW)	Helmut Ball (G)	Andre Drille (F)	Ahmed Sebane (F)
8. Ulli Ritter (G)	Pekka Kokkonen (FN)	Manfred Hass (G)	Luis Folledo (S)
9. Ulli Nitzschke (G)	Leen Jansen (H)	Bruno Fortilli (I)	Yves Cornez (B)
10. Plinio Scarabellin (I)	Wladis Kopec (F)	Michel Diouf (F)	Giacomo Nervi (I)

LIGHTWEIGHTS	FEATHERWEIGHTS	BANTAMWEIGHTS	FLYWEIGHTS
1. Aissa Hashas (F)	Gracieux Lamperti (F)	Alphonse Halimi (F)	Risto Luukkonen (FN)
2. Giordano Campari (I)	Ray Nobile (I)	Pierre Cossemyns (B)	Mimun Ben Ali (S)
3. Guy Gracia (F)	Sergio Caprari (I)	Piero Rollo (I)	Rene Libeer (F)
4. Fred Galliana (S)	Rene Barriere (F)	Mario Sitri (I)	Young Martin (S)
5. Mario Vecchiatto (I)	Jules Touan (F)	Federico Scarponi (I)	Salvatore Burruni (I)
6. Guizani Rezgui (T)	Willi Quattuor (G)	Pierre Vetroff (F)	Jean Guerard (F)
7. Sauveur Benamou (F)	Aldo Pravisani (I)	Mario D'Agata (I)	Pierre Rossi (F)
8. Conny Rudhof (G)	Alberto Serti (I)	Elysee Castre (F)	Andre Younsi (F)
9. Fernand Nollet (F)	Jose L. Martinez (S)	Mohamed Zarzi (F)	Raton Osuna (S)
10. Epiphane Akono (F)	Antonio Ramos (S)	Kamara Diop (F)	Santos Seoane (S)

Note: Franz Szuzina has declared his intention of fighting in lightheavy class and is therefore not listed among the middleweights

LEGEND: B Belgium; D Denmark; F France; FN Finland; G Germany; H Holland; HY Hungry; I Italy; S Spain; SW Sweden; T Tunisia.

lately broken during his South American sojourn, Moore let up somewhat for the rest of the round.

In the final stages of the fight he staged a tremendous rally which Lamperti weathered without undue difficulty but which sufficed to guarantee Moore the decision.

Jose Ungidos, the tough Basque welter, disputed his first bout outside of Spain, losing out to wily Sauveur Chiocca over ten rounds whilst classy Robert Di Martino outdistanced Jerome Licatesi in a lightie eight.

▶ **Rome**—The bright hopes of Sante Amonti looked a trifle shaky in the opening stages of his fight against Bert Whitehurst, the Baltimore negro who has become a regular favorite in European rings of late. Whitehurst appeared with a natty beard prior to the bout and Amonti demanded that it be shaved off. Whitehurst complied but avenged himself on the Brescia Belter by smacking Amonti to the canvas in round five. The Italian regained his feet at "9" and was sufficiently recovered to stage a counter-attack. He injured his right in the second round which restricted his hitting power and was rather lucky to obtain a draw after ten rounds.

Giulio Rinaldi, 177, was also made to look more of a chump than a champ by another American, Sonny Ray, who was narrowly beaten by Chic Calderwood in Scotland. Ray fought cleverly, outboxing the rugged Italian and using the ring to good effect.

Rinaldi fought his usual aggressive slambang fight but found Ray a difficult target and the Italian's victory after ten rounds was due to his having forced the pace for most of the bout. Olympic star, Franco Musso, stopped Mebarek Limane of Morocco in the fifth round of a feathers clash and lanky Luigi Napoleoni made his professional debut, halting Luigi Gheda in the third round of their cruiser slam. In a further cruiser clash, Ottavio Panunzi did well to outscore Fernando Spallotta over eight rounds.

▶ **Paris**—Moussa Sangaree proved better than Michel Gonzales in a hard middles ten while the Portuguese feather, Joao Dos Santos, bested Abdoulay Faye of Algeria over ten rounds. Lucien Fernandes outscored Roland Goujon in a welter ten.

▶ **Two days later, at the Salle Wagram,** promising Paul Maolet upset the odds by forcing Altidoro Polidori of Italy to retire in the sixth round of a lightweight clash. Polidori had just returned from a lengthy spell in Australia and was tabbed to whip his younger adversary.

Louis Oberto finished honors even with Boualem Belouard in a bantam eight and Fabio Bettini trimmed Lucien Deledique in a middles eight.

▶ **Barcelona, Spain**—Vicente Ferrando, 19-year old scrapper from Elche, was unable to dislodge Frank Garcia from his position as Catalan lightweight champion and had to be content with a draw after ten hard rounds.

▶ **Paris**—Louis Poncy was surprisingly held to a draw by young Michel Atlar in a feathers ten at the Salle Wagram wilst Claude Saluden, still lacking the elan and verve of his amateur days, won on points against mediocre Jean Marchandeau.

In another welter ten, Marc Desfourneaux and Andre Scheppler finished honors-even after a hard melee. A few days later, at the Central, Raymond Bernard bested Hocine Salam of Algeria in a bantam eight.

▶ **Trieste, Italy**—Since the disappearance from the local scene of Aldo Pravisani and Duilio Loi, promotions here have been few and far between. The arrival of dashing Nino Benvenuti, whose name means "welcome", is thus very welcome. The Olympic welter champion made his debut in the ranks of the restless ones, tangling with Ben Ali Allala of Tunis.

Like many other amateur star, Benvenuti found to his surprise that even third-rate professionals don't keel over after a quick tattoo to the ribs. The handsome Nino had to be satisfied with a points win over six rounds.

▶ **At Prato**—Renato Bianchini, promising middleweight, won clearly over Germano Cavalieri, who was boxing as a lightweight a season ago.

▶ **Calais, France**—Elysee Castre kept active with a points win over Christian Marchand in a bantam ten.

▶ **St. Nazaire**—Jean Jouan decisioned Albert Lefrancois in a welter ten.

▶ **Paris**—Wladis Kopec, the Franco-Polish cruiser flash, had his first proper test when he clashed with Paul Roux for the latter's lightheavy title. Roux is a destructive hitter though he appears to lack a finishing punch, whereas Kopec has run up a dazzling series of kayo wins over second-rate opposition. In the event, Kopec displayed a surprising robustness but lacked the experience of champion Roux, who plugged away at close-quarters whenever possible and won every round in the second half of the bout.

After fifteen rounds Roux left the ring still champion and with the prospect of tackling Erich Schoeppner for the European title within a few weeks.

More interesting was the lightweight slam between Aissa Hashas, the dreaded "Jaguar of the Sahara" and the German champion Conny Rudhof. For ten rounds the rivals slammed it out at a blistering pace, with Hashas getting the slight edge in most rounds, thanks to his heavier punching power. Hashas stated after the bout that Rudhof was his most dangerous foe yet, including Jimmy Hornsby.

Joseph Juvillier, Negro heavyweight, outscored beefy Rene Goubelle over six rounds and in a lightweight slam, up-an-coming Henri Vargas stopped Edmond Meskens of Belgium in six rounds. Cailleau trimmed Antoine Komraus in a middles six and Sadok checked fellow-Algerian Medji in the third session of a welter debate.

▶ **Bordeaux, France**—The highly-touted Marcel Pigou, conqueror of Ralph Tiger Jones and Eduardo Lausse in recent American starts, had his hands full in dealing with foxy Alex Buxton, the experienced lightheavy from Watford, England. Buxton, a great favorite in Continental rings, put up a great fight against Pigou to lose closely via the points route.

▶ **Villers St. Paul, France**—Something of a shock for Ali Amrane, noted only as a useful stayer; he was awarded the verdict after eight rounds of maul and tug against Michel Serenus.

▶ **At Angers**—Jacky Andre stopped Michel Biyoko in the sixth round of a feathers scuffle.

At the Paris Central, Rene Dernoncourt decisioned Pierre Leblond in a bantam eight.

▶ **Mestre, Italy**—Another attempt was made to put Mestre on the map, for although the town is the stamping-ground of the redoubtable brothers Scarabellin, attendances have been discouraging. Even if Bruno Scarabellin, ex-champion, topped the bill here against trial-horse Horst Herold of Germany, it was the presence of Olympic ace Franco De Piccoli, that attracted the crowd. Scarabellin finished off Herold in three rounds while powerful De Piccoli took less than a round to put the blitz on Robert Warmbrunn, the veteran Bavarian.

Guerrino Scattolin stopped Guenter Huber, another German favorite in Italian rings, in the fifth round of a cruiser slam.

▶ **Lens, France**—At the birthplace of Georges Carpentier, Daniel Leuillier stopped Raymond Denielle in the sixth round of a middles maul and Maurice Francois was held to a draw by the Algerian, Boukerra Benlaklef, over eight rounds.

▶ **Madrid, Spain**—Davey Moore continued his barnstorming tour of Europe with a decisive win over the Toledo Blade, Fred Galiana, in a fast-moving affair that was stopped in the fourth round in Moore's favor. Luis Folledo retrieved Spanish fistic fortunes to some extent by defeating tough Boswell St. Louis in rugged welter ten.

Despite the comparative lack of activity during January, Continental boxing appears to be on the up-grade. After the Olympic Games there has been considerable recruitment from the amateur ranks and Italy is particularly fortunate in obtaining the services of De Piccoli, Napoleoni, Benvenuti and Franco Musso, all of whom are expected to reach top flight in Europe.

The successes of leading Italians, Duilio Loi (holder of World Junior Welter and European Welter titles), Campari (conqueror of World Champion Joe Brown) and Rinaldi (conqueror of Archie Moore) have given amateur stars the ambition to earn gold and glory in the professional ring. In France, the picture is not so bright. The nation is currently engaged in the Algerian war and political disruptions have also affected boxing in Belgium.

Apart from Halimi and Lamperti, France has no fighters with any pretensions to world class but it will not be long before a fresh batch of hopefuls are making the grade. Belgian boxing has been almost defunct since the retirement of Sneyers and there appear to be no youngsters of talent except perhaps Yves Cornez, undefeated welter hope.

▶ **In Holland,** however, there are prospects of a fistic revival. The various managers and promoters have sunk their disagreements, which have been very harmful to the sport, and are now combining to promote shows to their mutual advantage. With Wim Snoek, Leen Jansen, Oostrum, Baars, Kokmeyer, Van Klaveren and Sugar Ray the Netherlanders have quite a formidable line-up and several acquisitions have been made from the amateur ranks.

A lack of small promotions have slowed down German boxing and the success of the last Berlin program proves that big names are not essential to the show as long as the card is well-balanced. Scholz, Schoeppner, Kalbfell and Peter Mueller are slowly ceding in popularity to Mildenberger, Ball, Rudhof, Zech and Goschka.

▶ **In Sweden,** Lennart Risberg provides a worthy successor to Johansson as chief attraction but there has been no further recruiting to the paid ranks whereas in Finland great hopes are held for the future of Olli Maeki, lightweight comer. With Luukkonen, Kokkonen and Maeki on the bill there is no lack of public support for the Elis Ask promotions. In Denmark, fresh blood is urgently needed. Chris Christensen remains the only fighter of class there but if Borge Krogh, nifty lightweight, decides to join the punch-for-lunch brigade there will be a renewal of public interest.

▶ **Fred Galiana** was tops in Spain but has now lost his license because of his disappointing showing against world featherweight champion Davey Moore. Lack of international competition has blunted the efforts of most Spanish prospects, who eliminate one another with dismal regularity. Promoters cannot afford the purses demanded by foreign stars and the only alternative is for Spanish youngsters to accept bouts abroad against fighters of superior experience.

▶ **Best prospect are** Antonio Ramos (feather), Juan Albornoz and Ferrando (lightweights), Folledo and Infantes (welter) Penarroya and Bermudez (middles).

DOWN ARIZONA WAY

By Al Fenn

WILLIE ROSS SUCCESSFULLY DEFENDED HIS STATE WELTERWEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP with a fifth-round knockout over Negro Veloz, 147, Nogales at Phoeniz Madison Square Garden. It was Paavo Ketonen's initial promotion in the new year.

In the 8-round semi-main, Leonard Coleman and Kid Zacatecas fought toe-and-toe until a severe cut to Zacatecas caused a halt in the 6th. Both are middleweights.

In a featherweight eight, Mesa's Mario Luciano outpointed Danny Medrano of Nogales. In the opening four, Kid Lujan, 151, Mesa, earned a third-round TKO over Benny Joe Brown, 146, Phoenix.

IT WAS A RETURN GO FOR Leonard Coleman and Kid Zacatecas in 10 rounds on January 25. This time the fight went the distance with Coleman declared the winner.

In a co-ten, Mario Luciano, 123, Mesa, caught Danny Medrano, 120, Nogales, with a short right for a KO in the third. A scheduled six-rounder ended early when Arnie Cotarobles, 139, Tucson, stopped Bobby Joe Brown, 143, in the fourth. Johnny Featherman, 165, Bisbee, won his sixth straight bout with a four-round decision over Gene Bryant, 168, Tucson.

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NEWS OF THE BRITISH ISLES

By JOHNNY SHARPE

FINSBURY PARK . . . Boswell St. Louis, Trinidad, 148, can always be relied upon to give the customers value for the ticket that they purchase, and that is the main reason that he is the most sought after performer by promoters in these British Isles and The Continent.

In his bout with Al Sharpe, Belfast, 147, he gave an all action display to fight his opponent to a standstill which forced referee Pat Floyd to intervene in his favor during the fifth . . . Sharpe has gone the distance with some of the leading welterweights in Great Britain, but against St. Louis, he succumbed to his flaying fists that forced the referee to call a halt.

Dave Stone, Battersea, 136¾, outclassed Eric Brett, Retford, 138½, Brett at best is a blown up featherweight . . . The referee stopped the one-sided bout in the fourth after Brett had taken four counts, two in the first round.

Joe Devitt, Islington, 135, defeated Phil Williams, Cardiff, 135¼, when the referee intervened after Williams received a damaging blow to his left eye during the first round. Vic Baxendale, Nottingham, 138¼, stopped Terry Harper, Walthamstow, 139, in the sixth, when the latter received a bad eye injury.

Carl Taylor, Richmond, 113½, outpointed Barry Adgie, Derby, 112¾, in six . . . Ivor Delima, British Guiana, 156½, knocked out Clive Williams, Bournemouth, 153¼, in the fourth.

▶**SHOREDITCH** . . . Yolande Pompey, Trinidad, 171½, defeated Ron Redrup, West Ham, 172½, in a hard hitting ten . . . It was the comeback trail for both in a bruising contest in which each suffered cut eyes, Pompey scored a knockdown in the third.

Kenny Field, Hoxton, 127, defeated Jim Braddock, Birkenhead, 129, in the third, when referee Harry Gibbs ruled out the latter for the illegal use of his forearm after several warnings.

Dave Parsons, Northolt, 136½, outpointed Ron Rowley, Bristol, 135½, in a hard hitting six. Alan Palmer, Norwood, 136, stopped Johnny Arrow, Richmond, 138, in the second.

Danny Wells, Basildon, 115½, and Carl Taylor, Richmond, 114½, fought a draw in six . . . Fred Albert, Hendon, 164, stopped Ivor Delima, British Guiana, 163, in the first.

▶**NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB . . . London** . . . Byron Hollingsworth, Trinidad, 137½, gained a clear points win over Jim "Spike" McCormack., Belfast, 136½, in a hotly disputed eight . . . Paddy Kelly, Belfast, 127½, outpointed Nye Ankarah, Ghana, 130, in eight.

Mick Greaves, Leicester, 127, was too good for Costa Lawrence, Nigeria, 128½, and won on points in six . . . George Blazeby, Kings Lynn, 151½, was declared the winner over Kid Solomon, Jamaica, 149¾, who was ruled out in the fourth for the illegal use of his head. Ted Sherwood, Wembley, 146½, knocked out Alf Thompson, Dagenham, 143, in the sixth.

▶**ILFORD** . . . Johnny Cole, Bow, Southern Area Cruiserweight Champion, 169¾, knocked out Ron Riley, Preston, Central Area Cruiserweight Champion, 170¾, in the third. Johnny Kramer, West Ham, 145½, stopped Jimmy Powell, Preston, 147¾, when the latter retired at the end of the third. Powell was in the lead in the first two rounds, but received severe punishment towards the end of the third which forced his retirement.

Bobby Kelsey, Forest Gate, 138½, was fortunate in not being disqualified when he caught Alf Cottam, Preston, 135½, in the body with his shoulder. Claims for a foul by the latter's corner was refused as he lay on the canvas to take the full count.

Danny Wells, Basildon, 118, defeated Johnny Boston, Blackburn, 116¾, when the referee intervened in the fourth after Boston had received cuts above both eyes. Joe Somerville, Birkhampstead, 152½, outpointed Terry Coombs, Peckham, 159¼, in six. Ray Thompson, Dagenham, 129¾, outpointed Mickey Marsh, Rayleigh, 130, in six.

▶**It is with profound regret that I record the passing of Joe Jarvis of Millwall,** who boxed around the 1920-1930 era in America and Canada . . . Another Ex-Boxer, Jack McCusker, of Belfast passed over the great divide. He discovered John Caldwell, British Flyweight Champion as a boy of ten in his Belfast Immaculata Club.

▶**NORTHAMPTON** . . . When The I-T-V, announced that they would show the World Middleweight title bout between Paul Pender & Terry Downes at a time when Jack Solomons would be staging one of his Provincial Shows, "Bright Ideas" Solomons installed T-V sets around the Drill Hall and on all four sides of the ring for his patrons to view . . . He was loudly applauded by the capacity crowd . . . This was an addition to an attractive show in which "Local Boy" Cliff Brown, 148¼, enhanced his reputation, by gaining a good win over Ex-Weldterweight Champion Tommy Molloy, Liverpool, 150, at the end of eight interesting rounds.

Nat Jacobs, Nottingham, 153¼, made it five straight when he knocked out "Tough" Freddie Collins, Chingford, 151¾, in the fourth . . . Johnny Lewis, Nottingham, 121¼, knocked out gallant Billy Meek, Shoreditch, 121, within 20 secs. of the end of their six round bout, that was full of exciting thrills. A right swing caught Meek as he came forward, and the latter had no chance of beating the count.

Roy Grey, Walsall, 184, was given a hard battle by Eric Fearon, Jamaica, 189¾, but the 18 year old Grey, gained a points win in six. Joe Falcon, Market Harborough, 136, outpointed Al Casson, Coventry, 136½, in six . . . Vic Baxendale, Nottingham, 138, outpointed Ron Brown, Market Harborough, 136, in six.

▶**STREATHAM** . . . Dave Charnley, Dartford, European-British and Empire Champion, 137, brightest hope for a world's title conquest when he meets Joe Brown in London in April, clearly outpointed Gene Gresham, Detroit, U.S.A., 137, over ten rounds. Charnley, who was having his first bout in seven months, showed a ring rust in the early rounds, but he soon worked himself into fighting condition against the taller, smooth boxer from America. It was only the experience and holding of Gresham that he was able to last the full course. It was Gresham's third defeat in thirty-four starts. In the last minute of the tenth, Gresham took a count of "five" from a combination of head and body punches to finish a game loser. Roy Beaman, Brixton, 119½, was beaten by Michel Lamora, France, 119¼, when referee Ben Stitchbury intervened in favor of The Frenchman at the end of the eighth. Beaman had suffered a badly cut eye and was pummelled around the ring. Dave Higgins, Fife, 134¼, outpointed Ricky McMasters, Jamaica, 144¼, in a punishing six.

Tony Mancini, Hammersmith, 147¼, stopped Neville Axford, Bermondsey, 147¾, in the eighth and final round with only a few seconds to go. Maxie Smith, Wolverhampton, 165½, outroughed Harry Scott, Bottle, 159½, and when the latter received a badly cut eye, referee Benny Caplan stopped the bout in favor of Smith, during the third . . . Bob Nicholson, Farnborough, 167¾, stopped Ossie Nelson, Jamaica, 172½, in the third.

▶**CHELTENHAM** . . . Don Braithwaite, Caerphilly, 115, repeated his previous points win over Billy Colvin, Ireland, 113½, by gaining a clear victory in a enterprising eight. Abe Stanley, Bournemouth, 190¼, outpointed Sid Cain, Watford, 208, in a scrambling six.

Colin Humphries, Porthcawl, 146¼, stopped Tommy Donovan, Leicester, 148, in the fourth, when the referee intervened to save Donovan from further punishment.

Mick O'Neill, Bletchley, 156½, stopped Johnny Gribble, Bristol, 162, in the third. Johnny Plenty, Bristol, 162, outpointed Joe Somerville, Birkhampstead, 162, in six. Arnold Bell, West Indies, 127, outpointed Alan Branquet, Channel Islands, 126, in six.

▶**MIDDLESBOROUGH** . . . Maurice Cullen, Shotton, 137, with a fast and snappy left hand, scored a good points win over Phil McGrath, Halifax, 133, in eight. In the first half of the contest, Cullen built up a big lead. Ken Harvey, Thornley, 161, defeated Johnny Cunningham, The Huddersfield Southpaw, 163½, in a hard hitting eight.

Johnny Nolan, Thornaby, 137, outpointed Pat Aaron, Nigeria, 137½, in a closely fought eight . . . Billy Linton, Middlesborough, 153½, knocked out Harry Lawson, Middlesborough, 149½, in the first. The promising John Bacon, Middlesborough, 137½, scored a good win in knocking out George Hinds, Edinburgh, 136, in the first. Teddy Carter, Guisborough, 136¾, knocked out Bob Johnson, Stockton, 133, in the third.

▶**MANCHESTER** . . . A good crowd supported popular Gus Demmy in his efforts to put Manchester back in the fistic market . . . George Aldridge, Market Harborough, 162, defeated Brian Husband, Hull, 159, in the fourth after the latter had taken a count of "nine" from a left hook to the body. He was in no condition to defend himself and referee Mahoney wisely intervened and declared Aldridge the winner.

Johnny Cooke, Liverpool, 138¼, proved too good for Jim "Spike" McCormack, Belfast, 138½, in their eight rounder, scoring an impressive points victory. Ray Shiel, St. Helens, 182, and Tony Smith, Wolverhampton, 195½, two young heavyweights who will be heard from before 1961 is over, put up a gory battle, with full honors going to Shiel at the end of an exciting eight.

Kevin McGeown, Poplar, 112½, defeated Ernie Butterworth, Manchester, 115, when the referee stopped the contest at the end of the fourth, after the latter had received a badly cut eye . . . Billy Evans, Liverpool,

BRITISH EMPIRE RATINGS

(To February 21, 1961)

HEAVYWEIGHTS	CRUISERWEIGHTS	MIDDLEWEIGHTS	WELTERWEIGHTS
1. Henry Cooper (E)	Chic Calderwood (S)	Dick Tiger (N)	Brian Curvis (W)
2. Joe Erskine (W)	Mike Holt (SA)	Terry Downes (E)	Gomeo Brennan (B)
3. Brian London (E)	Johnny Halifihi (To)	Yama Bahama (B)	George Barnes (A)
4. Dick Richardson (W)	Yolande Pompey (T)	Wilf Greaves (C)	Tony Smith (E)
5. George Chuvalo (C)	Jack Whittaker (E)	Phil Edwards (W)	Mick Leahy (I)
6. Robert Cleroux (C)	Johnny Cole (E)	John McCormack (S)	Gale Kerwin (C)
7. Jim Cooper (E)	Ron Redrup (E)	Gert Von Heerden (SA)	Wally Swift (E)
8. George Mahoni (To)	Burke Emery (C)	George Aldridge (E)	Boswell St. Louis (T)
9. Gawie De Klerk (SA)	Tony Smith (E)	Tuna Scanlon (NZ)	Jimmy McGrail (E)
10. Ray Shiel (E)	Stan Cullis (E)	Peter Read (A)	Benny Nieuwenhuizen(SA)
LIGHTWEIGHTS	**FEATHERWEIGHTS**	**BANTAMWEIGHTS**	**FLYWEIGHTS**
1. Dave Charnley (E)	Rafiu King (N)	Freddie Gilroy (I)	Johnny Caldwell (I)
2. Ludwig Lightburn(BH)	Howard Winstone (W)	Billy Rafferty (S)	Jackie Brown (S)
3. Gary Cowburn (A)	Floyd Robertson (G)	George Bowes (E)	Derek Lloyd (E)
4. Steve Nittes (A)	Percy Lewis (T)	Johnny Morrissey (S)	Dennis Adams (SA)
5. Maurice Cullen (E)	Terry Spinks (E)	Johnny Jarrett (A)	John Mtimkulu (SA)
6. Darkie Hughes (W)	Levy Madi (SA)	Roy Beaman (E)	George McDade (S)
7. Enoch Nhlapo (SA)	Wally Taylor (A)	Dennis Adjie (G)	Freddie N'Gidi (SA)
8. Brian Jones (E)	Love Allotey (G)	Dick White (A)	Alan Gibbards (A)
9. Peter Heath (E)	Sexton Mabena (SA)	Leslie Tangee (SA)	Little Joe (SA)
10. Ebe Mensah (N)	Derry Treanor (I)	Peter Lavery (S)	Brian Cartwright (E)

LEGEND—(A) Australia; (B) Bahamas; (BG) British Guiana; (C) Canada; (E) England; (F) Fiji Islands; (G) Ghana; (IN)India; (I) Ireland; (J) Jamacia; (M) Malta; (N) Nigeria; (NZ) New Zealand; (S) Scotland; (SA) South America; (T) Trinidad; (TO) Tonga; (W) Wales; (BH) British Honduras.

125, stopped Al Rocca, Manchester, 128¾, in the first.

Barry Adgie, Derby, 113, stopped Gordon Boyes, Manchester, 112, in the first . . . Joey Jacobs, Manchester, 139, outpointed Ron Rowley, Pontypridd, 136¾, in six. Ken Calderwood, Salford, 128½, narrowly outpointed Micky Redmond, Bristol, 127, in six.

▶**CARDIFF** . . . I have written many glowing accounts of the rise of the undefeated Merthyr featherweight Howard Winstone, and this time I am going overboard for him and state that young Howard before 1961 is over, will hold The British-Empire and European titles. In his bout with Floyd Robertson, British Empire Featherweight Champion it was a pleasure to watch the complete boxer-fighter. At no time during their ten round bout did he retreat against the hard hitting champion . . . From the first to the last, he used the straight left and combination of punches that reminded many of the old school of "Peerless" Jim Driscoll . . . Pairing him with that great boxer will give you a slight idea of how Howard Winstone looked in this bout.

It was only a formality for the referee at the end to raise the hand of Winstone as "the winner".

Syd Wignall and Jack Solomons who promoted the show, have a sure winner when they propose to stage an open air show in Cardiff between Winstone and Robertson for the latter's Empire Title.

Make a note of another youngster who will be heard from this year. Alex O'Neill of Belfast, 113, captivated the crowd with the way he handled Don James, Dowlais, 113½, who by the way is also a good prospect. The Irish lad was the master from the start and had James in trouble at the end of the third round. Eddie Thomas, former British Welterweight Champion, wisely retired the Welshman when he suffered a severe cut.

Lennie Williams, Maesteg, 119, made a successful professional debut with a first round win over the more experienced Stan Regan, Rugby, 121, when he forced the referee to intervene in his favor. Williams, a southpaw showed plenty of class for a youngster in the short time that he was in the ring.

Harry Carroll, Cardiff, 126, southpaw, was held to a draw by Hugh O'Neill, Dublin, 127¾, in an exciting eight. There was loud dissent when both arms were held up at the end.

Terry Crimmins, Cardiff, 120, proved too strong for Tommy Burgoyne, Halton, 120½, and after Crimmins forced Burgoyne to take considerable punishment, the referee wisely stopped the bout in the seventh and declared Crimmins "The Victor". Jimmy Slattery, Newport, 157½, outpointed Vince Brown, Cardiff, 158½, in a hard fought six.

▶**NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB . . . London** . . . George Judge, Glasgow, 127, with a last round rally clinched Harry Gibbs decision over Phil Jones, Cardiff, 129¼, in a hard fought eight . . . Neil McAteer, Birkenhead, 160½, stopped Joe Bell, West Indies, 158, in the seventh of an exciting and hard hitting bout. Both boxers received a great ovation.

Colin Humphries, Porthcawl, 147, outpointed Vernon Pallai, Trinidad, 149, in six . . . Brian Smith, Porthcawl, 127½, knocked out Maurice Daniels, Trinidad, 126, in the fourth . . . Tommy Corrigan, Maidstone, 148, stopped Roy Till, Edgware, 147, in the fourth.

▶**PRESTON** . . . Malcolm Worthington, Crewe, 162, and Sandy Luke, Nigeria, 157, fought a draw in eight . . . Jimmy Assani, 157, came from behind to gain the upper hand and the decision over Billy Boyd, Birkenhead, 165, in eight. Tony Barry, Birkenhead, 148, was a clear points winner over Jimmy Powell, Preston, 147, in eight . . . Barrie Adgie Derby, 113½, outpointed Paddy Walmsley, Preston, 116, in six. Ken Pugh, Liverpool, 136, outpointed Tommy Tiger, Leicester, 133½, in six.

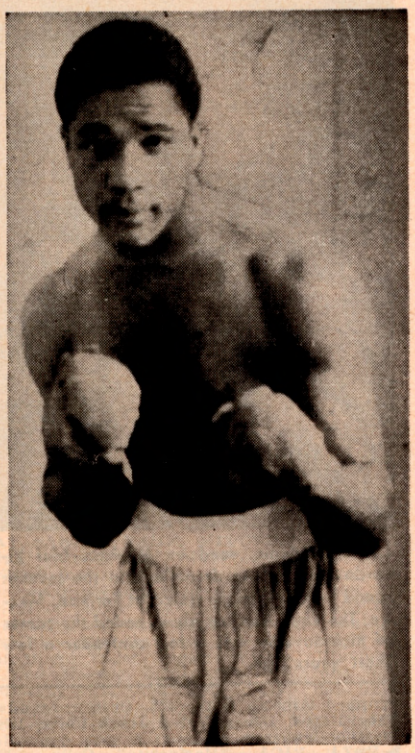
▶**FINSBURY PARK** . . . Dave Stone, Battersea, 137½, defeated Byron Hollingsworth, Trinidad, 137½, in the fifth when referee Ben Stitchbury decided that the colored man was not able to defend himself. The crowd did not take kindly to the stoppage.

Brian Bissmire, West Ham, 114½, was fortunate to receive the decision over Don Braithwaite, Caerphilly, 113½, in a hotly disputed eight. John Bacon, Middlesborough, 138¾, put a dent into the unbeaten record of Joe Devitt, Islington, 134¼, when the latter was forced to take several counts during the sixth, and was in no condition to defend himself when the referee wisely intervened.

Danny O'Brien, Kilburn, 129¾, stopped Costa Lawrence, Nigeria, 124½, in the third. Dave Whittaker, Battersea, 122½, gained a narrow points when over Jackie Dillon, Isle Of Man, 119¾, in six . . . Bob Simms, Northolt, 158, stopped Mick O'Neil, Watford, 154, in the second.

▶**NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB . . . LONDON** . . . The Club staged a £1,000, Middleweight Competition with the following results of the first series.

Joe Bell, West Indies, knocked out Johnny Bowler, Luton, in the third . . . Jimmy Blanche, Coventry, stopped Ivor Evans, Bournemouth, in the first . . . Ronnie Vale,



Veteran Trinidad light-heavyweight Yolande Pompey, considered "finished" two years ago as a headliner, is making fine progress in his comeback in England. His most recent performance was to trounce Ron Redrup in London.

Leamington, outpointed Jimmy Assani, Nigeria, in six . . . Dave George, Woking, outpointed Colin Moore, Derby, in six . . . In a lightweight contest, Bobby Kelsey, East Ham, stopped Vic Baxendale, Worksop, in the third . . . Carl Taylor, Richmond, stopped Barry Adgie, Derby, in the fifth.

▶**READING** . . . Billy Walker, Kings Cross, outpointed Pancho Bhattachaji, India, in a bantamweight eight. Eric Fearon, Jamaica, outpointed Sid Cain, Watford, in a heavyweight six. Trevor Wise, Great Yarmouth, outpointed Johnny Arrow, Richmond, in a lightweight six.

George Blazeby, Norwich, outpointed Mick McGreechin, Ireland, in a welterweight six. Vernon Pellai, Trinidad, outpointed Tommy Donovan, Leicester, in a welterweight six. Ivor Delima, British Guiana, knocked out Clive Williams, Bournemouth, in the first of a middleweight bout.

▶**THE ROYAL ALBERT HALL . . . LONDON** . . . Three Champions on one Card—A capacity crowd, sold out a week before opening time, a redecorated Royal Albert Hall, with comfortable seating for all—no wonder the beaming smile for the ringside customers as Promoter Jack Solomons greeted them.

Kenny Field, Hoxton, 128½, and Al McCarthy, Romford, 127, boxed eight rounds in the first bout. From first to last it was a keenly fought bout with the promising Hoxton lad boxing superbly won on points. Next came Freddie Gilroy, Belfast, weighing 123, looking like a blown up bantam. He had all his work cut out to outpoint Ugo Milan, Italy, 118, in ten. Referee Tommy Little had no hesitation in raising Gilroy's hand at the end.

Next in appearance was the professional debut of Phil Ludgren, Bermondsey, 129, who gained a good points win over Mickey Redmond, Bristol, 127¼, in six. Next in line was Brian Curvis, British and Empire Welterweight Champion, 146¼, who retained his unbeaten certificate with a good win over Rino Borra, Italy, 146¾, who looked like a cut down heavyweight. His muscles beamed throughout when he started his hefty swinging to head and body of Curvis. If any of those swings had connected on the Welshman, it would have been curtains, but the fast moving and straight hitting of Curvis, who also relishes a two-handed battle, soon showed that he was a class above the swinging Italian. The end came in the fourth after Curvis landed a heavy right that damaged Borra's left eye. Blood streamed down the game Italian's face, but he fought on till referee Little stepped in and aided him to his corner.

This bout followed with the appearance of "Poker Face" Johnny Caldwell, Belfast, British Flyweight Champion, 113½, against Angelo Rampin, Italy, 112. It did not take little Caldwell long to fathom the southpaw stance of the Italian, who was to take considerable punishment from left hooks and right uppercuts warrant referee Harry Gibbs to call a halt during the eighth. The little man from Venice received a tremendous ovation.

If we had not seen enough to wetten the appetite of any ardent fight fan, then the next bout between Billy Davis, West Ham, 126, and Frank Lannon, Wolverhampton, 128, provided all the thrills that one could wish to see. Davis, seventeen years of age, one of our most promising young featherweights, was puzzled by Lannon's southpaw stance, and during the first round was caught by a heavy swinging right which had him sprawling across the ring. Another left and right put him down for "nine". Young Davis fought back gallantly to wipe out the deficit and gave as much as he took, and in the last two rounds of their six, he gained the upper hand to receive the decision of referee Alan Carman amid the tremendous cheering of the large crowd. It was by far the best fight of the night. Billy Davis proved "That he was what it takes".

In the final bout of the evening, Brian Cartwright, Birmingham, 116¼, stopped Dave Caulfield, Huddersfield, 114¾, in the 5th, when the referee intervened.

MARYLAND'S MERRY MAULERS

By Joe Poodles, Sr.

BENNY TROTTA'S SPORTS A.C. PRESENTED A TWIN TEN ROUND FEATURE AT THE BALTIMORE COLISEUM. Washington's Holly Mims unanimously decisioned Ike White of Philadelphia in a middleweight shindig while Irish Johnny Gilden of Baltimore decisively whipped Ray Lancaster, of Spartanburg, S. C., in a welterweight fracas.

Although Mims won the duke by a wide margin, he was nevertheless given a stiff argument by the underrated White.

Gilden gained his fifteenth win out of sixteen outings over his much more experienced opponent and won the laurels by a lopsided score. Lancaster came in as a late substitute and seemed off in his timing. The only bout Gilden has lost to date was a decision to Joe Salci whom Johnny had whipped on two other occasions.

Johnny Alford, a middleweight out of Philadelphia, whipped his welterweight foe Billy Robinson of Baltimore in a five rounder.

Allie Stokes looked real good in whipping Cornelius McPaul by a four round decision.

Al Johnson won a four round decision from Anthony Fernandez in a heavyweight melee in another all local bout.

Kayo George Scott of Washington, D. C. lived up to his monicker by stopping Nick Chementi of Harrisburg, Pa. in the 2nd round of a middleweight bout. Chementi was mad as blazes when the referee ruled him too late in arising at the count of ten.

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IN LATIN AMERICA

LA LAGUNA AND THE MEXICAN PROVINCES

By Miguel Ramirez Aznar

THREE BIG SHOWS were staged in La Laguna during the month. Two in Torreon, the main City of this Cotton Territory and one in the old little Arena of Gomez Palacio, across the Nazas River. The fans packed the houses the three times to show us that they really like the top boxing.

▶ **PLAZA DE TOROS "TORREON"**—TORREON — Fernando Hernandez, Promoter. Marvin Carter, 137, Washington, scored a 2-round knockout over rugged Manuel Favela, 139, Lerdo. Emilio Medina, 123, decisioned Facundo Martinez, 121, in ten rough heats. Durango Kid, 132, easily whipped hard hitter Vicente Nuno, 135, in eight. Joe Valenzuela, 117, kayoed "Cocoliso" Acosta, 120, in the second round. Lupe Briones, 117, stopped Natividad Perez, 118, in the very first round.

▶ **PLAZA DE TOROS "TORREON" TORREON** — Fernando Hernandez, Promoter. 7,000 fans packed the bullfight Plaza to see how Claudio "Lobito" Adame, 131, easily beat Ricardo "Pajarito" Moreno, 132, in seven rounds. Adame, rugged as always floored The Bird two times with a terrific left hook to Moreno's chin.

In the 10-round semi-final, Marin Carter, 135, scored his second triumph in Mexican lands when he easily whipped Feliciano "Chano" Barrientos, 135, during the full Route. Eusebio "Chebo" Salazar, 125, bested veteran Salvador Guerrero, 126, in six rounds. Lupe Briones, 117, outpointed Juan Jasso, 118, in four heats. Carmelo Cortez, 118, decisioned Johnny Rodriquez, 117, in other 4-rounder.

▶ **ARENA "OLIMPICA"**—Gomez Palacio—Dipp Bros. and Manny Mateos, Promoters. Philippine veteran Florencio S. Olpiendo, better known as "Danny Kid," 118, scored a clean cut 10-round decision over gallant Javier "Popeye" Garfias, 117, Salina Cruz sailor boy. Danny, a clever fighter, handled his foe very easily.

Santiago "Cain" Rogero, 126, stopped Hermenegildo "Gildo" Vargas, 122, in only three rounds. Humberto "Beto" Martinez, 124, defeated newcomer Javier Zatarain, 125, in eight rounds. "Changuita" Magallanes, 110, decisioned Joe Valenzuela, 115, in six. Juan Rosales, 134, bested Agustin Salinas, 132, in the 4-round preliminar.

▶ **JALAPA**—"Panterita" Jacome, 127, whipped "Raton" Vargas, 129, in ten rounds. Cirilo Hernandez, 125, decisioned Fallo Altamirano, 124, in other tenner.

▶ **SALINA CRUZ**—Guillermo "Memo" Gonzalez, 128, iced Moy Taylor, 131, in the second heat. "Chicharrin" Aragon, 127, embalmed Luis Chavez, 125, in the first round.

▶ **MEXICALI**—Hector Agundez, 118, the classy Californian, easily whipped brave Rafael "Torito" Mota, 117, in ten. Andres Garcia, 128, kayoed Paco Castaneda, 130, in the fifth round. "Pollo" Morales, 125, stopped Ramon Sarmiento, 126, in seven rounds. "Wina" Vingochea, 121, outpointed Memo Vega, 119, in ten heats.

▶ **ACAPULCO** — Gregorio "Goyo" Sanchez, 117, and Zurdo Arce, 118, drew in ten well fought rounds. Jesus "Chucho" Castaneda, 114, stopped Elias Reyes, 111, in only one round.

▶ **MONTERREY**—Lalo Duque, 135, upset Cuban Sanitago Ramirez, 132, in four rounds. Silvestra Ramirez, 119, kayoed Gonzalo Silva, 121, in the second round. Manuel Botello, 133, halted Jim Lopez, 135, in the fourth heat.

The show was a benefit for the late Chucho Mejia's family.

▶ **CULIACAN**—Miguel Paredes, 122, decisioned Manny Yamashiro, 125, in ten rounds.

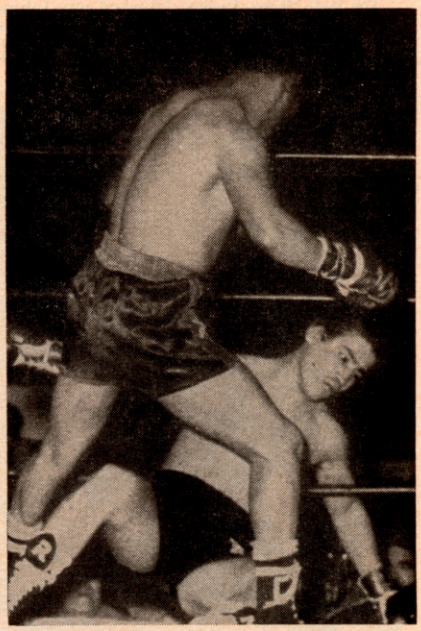
▶ **CORDOBA**—Hilario Espana, 135, Mexico City milkman, whipped "Raton" Vargas, 132, in ten rounds. Gustavo Pitalua, 115, kayoed "Papelero" Velazquez, 114, in nine heats.

▶ **MONTERREY**—"Danny Kid" (Florencio Olpiendo), Philippines, 118, easily handled Juan Ibares, 119, Acapulco, to get the unanimous 10-round duke. Manuel "Changa" Magallanes, 114, and Apolonio Salinas, 117, drew after eight fast rounds.

▶ **MAZATLAN**—Ignacio "Zurdo" Pina, 117, bested Rafael "Torito" Mota, 118, in ten rounds. Joe Gonzalez, 125, kayoed Paulino Nunez, 128, in the third heat.

▶ **ACAPULCO** — "Chivete" Martinez, 116, scored a 10-round decision over "Chilango" Gomez, 114, Flyweight Champion of Jalisco State. "Charrito" Gomez, 117, knocked out "Miguel Valdez, 117, in the second round.

▶ **GUADALAJARA**—Alberto Martinez, 126, whipped Alberto Soto, 125, in ten rounds. Babe Reyes, 136, defeated Jesus Celes, 138, in other tenner.



Claudio Adame, send ex Mexican Idol Ricardo Moreno into dreamland in the seventh round before a large crowd at Torreon, Mexico. The kayo loss just about ended the career of Ricardo who was a top contender a few short years ago.

▶ **POZA RICA** — "Marinerito" Celis, 128, bested Ray Zamora, 130, in ten. Gorila Queznal, 150, stopped Martin Caballero, 147, in the sixth round.

▶ **MEXICALI** — Juanito Ramirez, 126, National Featherweight Champion, got the 10-round duke over Ramon Perez "Kid Irapuato", 128, local idol. The Champ won all of the 10 rounds. Gabriel Hernandez, 132, decisioned Eddie Larranaga, 131, in the 10-round semi-final. Jose Lopez, 125, not the famous "Toluco", kayoed Memo Vega, 122, in six.

▶ **CULIACAN**—The gallant cowboy Rudy Coronado, 125, outscored Fernando Gomez, in ten rounds.

▶ **LA PAZ**—Guillermo "Memo" Ayon, 161, physical culture teacher and professional fighter, scored a 3-round kayo triumph over experienced Armando Muniz, 163, who visited the canvas two times. "Chamaco" Valle, 125, bested Kid Aztequita, 126, in eight rounds.

▶ **GUADALAJARA**—Alfredo "Molote" Cota, 147, surprised when he stopped top notcher Enrique Esqueda, 148, in only four rounds. Ramon "Texan" Hurtado, 149, kayoed Tony Lopez, 144, in the third round.

▶ **LEON**—The Durango Scorpion, classy Marcelo Vargas, 148, whipped favorite Hilario Morales, 147, in ten rounds. Marcelo is a pupil of Kid Azteca and he is managed by my good friend Alfonso Martinez Vera. "Negro" Garcia, 120, kayoed Jesus "Chucho" Saucedo, 118, in three heats. Kid Guanajuato, 125, stopped Alfonso Kumazuhua, 122, in the fifth round.

▶ **CULLACAN**—Delfino "Fino" Rosales, 125, outpointed Raul Reyes, 126, in ten rounds. "Albanil" Escobar, 124, kayoed Sabino Gonzalez, 126, in the first round.

▶ **MONTERREY**—Local idol, Joe Lopez, 127, bested Jesus "Chuca" Rodriguez, 129, in ten bloody rounds. Manuel Botello, 129, iced Juan Jasso, 126, in the third round.

▶ **ACAPULCO** — Roberto "Kid" SanMartin, 121, decisioned Isidro Morales, 119, in ten.

▶ **MEXICALI** — Veteran Filiberto, "Fili" Nava, 130, held local idol Felix "Pelon" Cervantes, 128, to a 10-round draw.

▶ **CULLACAN** — Evaristo "Cuervo" Salinas, 116, upset favorite Hector Agundez, 118, in ten rounds. Juan Salazar, 121, whipped Raul Huante, 124, in ten.

▶ **POZA RICA**—"Cordoba" Rodriguez, 132, outpointed Benny Hernandez, 137, in ten rounds. Hector Cruz, 131, kayoed "Tigre" Tenechaco, 135, in four.

▶ **OBREGON** — Antonio "Tony" Perez, 133, surprised when he easily decisioned Bernabe "Babe" Vazquez, 132, former National Lightweight Champ in ten rounds.

▶ **CULIACAN**—Handsome Boy, Mauro Vazquez, 145, floored Beto Gerardo, 144, by three times and he finally knocked him out in the fifth round.

▶ **GUADALAJARA**—Moi Torres, 125, decisioned Anselmo Hernandez, 125, in ten rounds. Henry Macias, 126, outscored Juanito Lopez, 124, in the 10-round semi-final.

▶ **ACAPULCO** — Luis Jiminez, 115, iced Felipe Velazquez, 118, in the very first round.

▶ **MONTERREY**—"Pollo" Gabino, 129, upset Lalo Duque, 132, in ten rounds. Memo Ruiz, 125, bested Neto Villarreal, 126, in other ten.

▶ **MEXICALI**—Jose Luis Cruz, 129, Mexico City, had to work hard to get the ten round duke over young Don Johnson, 130, Los Angeles. Antonio "Tony" Morales, 127, kayoed "Pulga" Serrano, 125, in the fifth round.

RIGHT FROM MEXICO CITY

By Selsso Tiborro

THE 1961 BOXING SEASON STARTED WITH SIX PROGRAMS BEING STAGED DURING THE MONTH WITH THE FOLLOWING RESULTS:

▶ Carlos Gomez, 111, decisioned Chocolate Rodriguez, 111, in 10. Samuel Villanueva, 127, decisioned Genaro Gonzalez, 127, in 8. Sal Hernandez, 118, stopped Osito Galvan, 117, in 3. Isaias Nava, 135, stopped Louis Silva, 137, in 6. Raul Mendoza, 134, decisioned Evaristo Maldonado, 138, in 4.

▶ Ernesto Barrerra, 110, national flyweight champion, stopped Lolo Messen, 111, Costa Rica's flyweight champion, in the tenth. Angel Ley, 116, decisioned Juan Sanchez, 117, in 8. Felipe Silva, 117, stopped Sergio Mendizabal, 118, in 4. Panchito Ramirez, 125, stopped Juan Gudino, 132, in 1. Felix Hernandez, 118, stopped Carmelo Sanchez, 119, in 2.

▶ Jorge Gutierrez, 133, stopped Chato Cadena, 135, in 2. Rodolfo Lopez, 136, decisioned Memo Ramirez, 130, in 8. Fernando Garcia, 125, won from Serafin Morales, 128, in 6, by disqualification. Fili Hernandez, 118, stopped Luis Ramirez, 117, in 3. Pepe Silva, 125, stopped Frijolito Gonzalez, 129, in 3.

▶ Manuel Armenteros, 121, decisioned Max Huerta, 125, in 10. Enrique Camarena, 134, stopped Adolfo Olguin, 136, in 2. Vicente Vazquez, 134, and Ray Reyes, 134, drew in 6. Antonio Barron, 118, stopped Toluco Castaneda, 117, in 2. Jose Jimenez, 121, decisioned Alfonso Lugo, 119, in 4.

▶ Mario Diaz, 126, stopped Jose Luis Valdez, 126, in 6. Jaime Perez, 112, stopped Gabi Beltran, 112, in 8. Antonio Paniagua, 111, stopped Beto Romero, 110, in 1. Arturo Macias, 147, stopped Cuauhtemoc Gacia, 146, in 2. Arturo Vazquez, 118, stopped Cirilo Sanchez, 117, in 2.

▶ Chucho Hernandez, 112, stopped Fidel Alfaro, 113, in 4. Mario Medrano, 138, decisioned Kuino Gonzalez, 134, in 8. Fram Cardoso, 112, stopped Jose Mendez, 112, in 5. Esteban Figueroa, 118, stopped Ciro Giles, 116, in 4. Pajarito Corona, 118, stopped Enrique Gonzalez, 118, in 2.

BOXING IN ARGENTINA

By Simon Brononberg and Alfredo Porzio

TEMPERLEY—Miguel Angel Botta, Argentine flyweight, won by a T.K.O. in second round over Benicio Perez.

▶ **BAHIA BLANCA**—In the lightweight class, Adolfo Aguirre kayoed Teddy Carusso in 3. Rogelio Andre (local champion) drew in 10 rounds with lightweight Antonio Murano. Andre lost his title.

▶ **SAN JUAN**—In the welter class, Dante "Red" Rodriguez kayoed Omar Volpini in 5.

▶ **TEMPERLEY**—Enrique Fernandez, lightweight, outpointed Santiago Vivanco in 8 and in the feather class, Oscar Vargas drew in 10 with Victorio Cespedes.

▶ **TUCUMAN**—In the welter class, Cruz Dominguez won on points in 10 rounds over Antonio De Leo and in the same division Julio Dartuqui drew in 10 with Jose Ecli.

▶ **BAHIA BLANCA**—In the middle class, Hugo Danielli outpointed Bernardo Romero in 10.

▶ **RIO CUARTO**—Victor Zalazar in his last fight in Argentine won by a T.K.O. in the fourth over Juan Carlos Castellanos.

▶ **BAHIA BLANCA**—Roque Alanis, lightweight, won by a T.K.O. over Omar Pita in 3.

▶ **PARANA**—In the light heavy division, Pablo Sagrispanti drew in 10 rounds with Ramon Perello.

▶ **MENDOZA** — Domingo Pelaytay, welter, drew in 8 rounds with Manuel Rios, and in the same class Francisco Sotelo won by a T.K.O. in eight over Abelardo Rosales.

▶ **SAN JUAN**—Julio Catalini kayoed Luis Garcia in the third in a lightweight bout.

▶**MAR DEL PLATA**—Good prospect Roberto Palavecino outpointed Terencio Gutierrez in 10.

▶**GOYA**—Argentine feather champion Aldo Gamboa, outpointed over Gumercindo Rajoy in a non-title bout in 10.

▶**ROSARIO**—Guillermo Hairasca won by a T.K.O. in nine rounds over Transito Villagra. —(They are middles).

▶**TEMPERLEY**—In the light class, Andres Alvarez drew in 8 rounds with Juan C. Leiva and Manuel Alvarez, ex-Argentine feather champion, outpointed Horacio Rivero in 10.

▶**CORDOBA**—In the light class Ramon Prieto outpointed Kid Characato in 8 and Argentine flyweight champion Carlos Rodriguez drew in 10 rounds with Juan Romo.—(Non title bout).

▶**MENDOZA**—In the light class, Ramon Rivero and Jose Moran drew in 8 rounds and in the same class Nicolino Loche outpointed Vicente Derado in 10.

▶**PARANA**—In the middle class, Cesar Pereyra won by a T.K.O. in eight rounds over Ramon Perello.

▶**MAR DEL PLATA**—Ex-Argentine and South American middle champion Andres Selpa won by a T.K.O. in the ninth round over Ubaldo Sacco.

▶**BAHIA BLANCA**—In the welter class, Ruben Arocha won by a T.K.O. in third round over Oscar Fernandez and in the feather class Roque Valenzuela outpointed Mario Bernal in 10.

▶**RESISTENCIA**—In the light heavyweight, Antonio Diaz drew in 10 rounds with Juan C. Diaz.

▶**VILLA MERCEDES**—In the light class, Juan Campos outpointed Ricardo Jofre in 10.

▶**ROSARIO**—At the "Norte" ring, featherweight Adrian Servin and Jose Casas drew in 10 rounds.

▶**TEMPERLEY** — Undefeated lightweight Esteban Osuna drew in 10 rounds with Juan Rolon and in the middle division, Ignacio Magallanes outpointed over Julio Gadea in 8.

▶**BUENOS AIRES**—In the "San Dorenzo de Almagro" Stadium, featherweight Roberto Palavecino outpointed Pedro Miranda in 10. It was a very mismatch.

▶**MAR DEL PLATA**—In a very good performance, local middleweight Mario Tarzetti in his 13th bout, outpointed Argentine middle Champion Farid Salim in a non title bout in 10 rounds.

▶**LA PLATA**—In the "Estudiantes de La Plata" ring, welterweight Alberto Rotondo kayoed Gregorio Rivero in one and lightweight Manuel Alvarez outpointed Rene Diaz in 10.

CUBAN NEWS

By Dr. Jorge Vieites

WORLD'S WELTER KING, BENNY PARET WILL PUT HIS TITLE ON THE LINE AGAINST EMILE GRIFFITH, who ended Luis Manuel Rodriguez unbeaten record, and prior to that outpointed another Cuban, Florentino Fernandez . . . Fernandez stopped Rory Calhoun in eight during the month.

Cuba's No. 1 lightweight contender, Joe Stable, went to New York and won the unanimous decision in the St. Nicholas Club against Kenny Lane . . . Undefeated feather king Ultiminio (Sugar) Ramos, returned to Panama during January to repeat his k.o. victory over Jesus Santamaria, at the Olympic Stadium, this time in the third round.

Here are results of the month:

Before a packed house at the Sports' City, one of the world's top lightweights, Cuban Champion, Douglas Vaillant, 133¾, retained his title, winning a split decision in 12 from Angel (Robinson) Garcia, 133½, in a corking good battle. Vaillant assured the verdict in the last two rounds as he pounded Robinson about the body.

Cuban flyweight champion, Hiram Bacallao, coming in at 118 pounds, was really unlucky when his ten round fight with Felix Gutierrez, 119, former bantam king, was stopped in the rest period after the seventh round had ended due to a bad cut over his right eye. Bacalloa was leading at the time in every score card.

Raul Carabeo, 134½, stopped Gil Pinera, 134½, in the 5th round. Manuel Mora, 130½, stopped Jose Regueira, 127, in 3. Luis Toca, 145½, stopped Julio Herrera, 145¾, in 3.

▶**HAVANA.** Hipolito (Baby) Linares, 157, rewon the Middleweight crown from Paul Diaz, 156¼, in a split 12 round decision. Pedro Gonzalez, won in six from Martin Reyes (welters). Gil Pinera, 135, won in six from Gonzalo Diago, 134¼. Agustin Carmona, 121, won in 4 from Jose Legra, 120. Aristides Gavilan, 130, won in 4 from Lulu Pinera, 129.

Former lightweight king, Rolando (Chico) Morlaes, 136½, won a close, split tenner from Indio Alvarez, 137¼.

Miguel Diaz, 150, former welter king, won unanimously in 10 from Wilfredo Husrt, 148.

Juvenal Minguez, 130, stopped Juan Mena, 128¾, in 2. Roberto Zulueta stopped Juan Gomez in 4; while Hilario Conde and Aurelio Valladares, drew in 4.

Veteran Orlando Castillo, 128½, and Chico Veliz, 128¾, fought a speedy, very good ten round draw.

Pastor (Tano) Marrero, 128, won a split eighter from Roberto Ruiz, 126½.

Ramon Ferrer, 119, stopped Angel Bataille, 117, in 5. Joe Padron, 128⅝, stopped Emilio Gutierrez, 127, in 2. Eulalio Pineira won in 4 from Julio Garcia.

▶**HAVANA.** Jose A. Napoles, 133¼, won the unanimous decision in 10 from Guillermo Valdes, 133¼. Valentine Rodriguez, 127½, won in 8 from Pototo Pratts, 130¾.

Vicente Reyes, 149, stopped Jose L. Hernandez, 145, in one. Orestes Hernandez, stopped Julio Gonzales in the first round. Luis Uribazo, won in four from featherweight Roberto Castro, and Roberto Zulueta and Indio Neveres fought a draw in four.

BOXING IN YUCATAN

By Eduardo Amer G

MOTUL, YUC: Juanito Miranda, 122, won comfortably on points against Ramon "Gordo" Orozco, 124, in an eight rounder contest.

MOTUL, YUC: Negrito Alcala, 142, only needed two rounds to stop Joe Ambrosio, 143. Alcala toyed with Ambrosio in the first one, then settled down to work, scoring a kayo in the second.

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FROM JAMAICA BWI

By Gilbert Campbell

AT SABINA PARK, KINGSTON, the first fight card for 1961 went off with a bang. Fixed for one week earlier there was an enforced postponement due to the non arrival of Sugar Boy Nando from Aruba for the main bout with Allan Harmon, Jamaica's middleweight champion, who now fights out of Miami under Angelo Dundee. Promoter Lloyd Hosang finally flew to Aruba and brought back Sugar Boy bodily. This fight was long awaited by fans as very early in his career Harmon in training with Nando although only a teenager floored the latter to the amazement of a large crowd. Fans came out now for excitement and they sure got it. Within a minute of the opening bell Harmon was decked by a powerful left hook to the jaw. Taking the mandatory 8 count he managed to last out the round. Came round two and things were worse for Harmon as Nando again dropped him this time with another left hook followed by a barrage of rights and lefts.

Harmon was now in real trouble and was battered, cut, and bleeding. The bell found him on his feet but everything by now seemed over.

Dundee in Harmon's corner however gave clear instructions to his man to go in close and work on his opponent's midsection and so well were those instructions carried out that from round three the fight took a different turn. For the next five rounds an aggressive and savage body attack slowed Nando almost to a standstill.

At the end of round seven he could barely walk to his corner and Harmon was now in full command, and it was no surprise to close observers when Nando failed to answer the bell for round 8. Actually it was perhaps Nando's best showing in Jamaica but good seconding on the part of Dundee and guts and terrific punching power on the part of Harmon robbed him of what at first appeared an easy and onesided victory.

The semifinal lightweight contest of 10 rounds between Julito Lopez, champion of Dominica, and the local Kid Bassey ended in a draw. Percy Hayles decisioned Wesley Hines in another lightweight 8 rounder. Teddy Matthews won in 4 from Calvin Pettigrew in a featherweight contest.

IN PORT-OF SPAIN, TRINIDAD

By George C. Buckles

PERCY LEWIS, WHO LOST HIS BRITISH FEATHERWEIGHT TITLE TO FLOYD ROBERTSON OF GHANA, returned to his home here after many years in England and gave an exhibition.

Here are the results of the fight program: Emilio Sanchez, 135, of British Honduras, was knocked out by James Harper of Trinidad, 135, in the second round. Mel Bennett, 154, dropped the decision to Clem Winchester, in an eight round bout. L. Campbell, 156½, dropped the decision to Al Legaire, 156, in 8 and Johnny Duncan, 125, was defeated by Kid Gustave, 120½.

BOXING IN BRITISH GUIANA

By George C. BECKLES

IVELAW STEPHENSON, 142, won the welter title of British Guiana, after Cyclone Kid, 145¾, was disqualified in the seventh round of a scheduled 15-rounder.

In the preliminaries, Allan Bradshaw, 111½, won on points over Vincent Howard, 119½, in four rounds.

Leon Marshall, 135, won on points over Linton John, 134½, in four rounds.

Clarence Prince, 157½, TKOed George Campbell, 145¾, in four.

BOXING IN EL SALVADOR

By Robert A. Burke

RETURNING TO ACTION AFTER A 4 MONTHS' LAY-OF, RAY BALTA, named by "Ring" as Prospect of the Month in its last October issue, pounded out an easy 4-round TKO victory over May García, another local boy who fought lately in Guatemala. The fight, scheduled for 8 rounds, was stopped by the referee with García bleeding profusely from a cut under the left eye. The weights were Balta 117, and García 116.

The balance of the show was filled out by an interesting exhibition between local pro "Ratón" Samayoa and Nicaragnan middleweight champ Lou Gutiérrez and a couple of amateur bouts.

▶Making his first appearance here in more than a decade, former world ranked middle from Costa Rica, Tuzo Portuguez, 159, lost a ten-round decision to Nicaragnan Lou Gutiérrez, 156, in a bout billed as the Middleweight Championship of Central America.

Despite the fact that Tuzo showed little of the form that once earned him bouts with Paddy Young, Joey Giardello, Joe Giambra, Gustav Scholz and many others, the bout was an interesting one all the way.

Unfortunately for the boxing fans, the balance of the show was made up of international wrestling bouts which, however, probably accounted for the magnificent turn-out of some 4000 fans.

PANAMA NEWS

By Juan Copeland

BANTAMWEIGHT CHAMPION HECTOR HICKS TOOK THE UNANIMOUS DECISION over Manhattan Kid at the Colon Arena in a 12 round bout billed as a title match but which was just another bout since the Kid failed to make weight. He tipped the scales at 119½ while Hicks was 118. The fight was not a thriller as was expected but was an interesting, close one until the final two rounds. The decision was well received by a disappointingly small crowd.

The most interesting match was that in which Stanley Wilson, 133¾, stopped Carlos (Sangre de Toro) Ortiz, 138¾, in 1.40 of the sixth round. Aldres Allen, 132¾, gained the unanimous decision over Freddy McKay, 138¾, in four and in another four, Ismael Laguna, 111¾, defeated Eduardo Frutos, 118.

Sugar Ramos was pitted against Panama featherweight king, Jesus Santamaria at the Olympic Stadium and the Cuban title holder again pummelled the Panamian into helplessness. The bout ended in the sixth round. Referee Rogelio Pinzon stopped the one-sided contest after the Panama boy was down for a count of nine and was glassy-eyed and helpless. The visitor weighed 128 to Santamaria's 126¼.

It was the twentieth knockout registered by Ramos who has fought 27 times and is a highly ranked boxer, rated Number Two by The Ring.

In the six round semi—Estaban Santamaria, 134½, battled to a draw with Modesto Lara, 132¾. Serafin Garcia, 125, took the unanimous decision from Ezequiel Arroyo, 126¼, in four and in another four, Beresford Francis, 125½, stopped Curry Brown, 124¼, in the tenth round.

Olympic Stadium, Cuban champion Sugar Ramos scored his third straight kayo triumph when he halted Edwin Sykes in 2:58 of the fourth round, when he landed a left uppercut that stretched out Sykes for the full count. Ramos weighed 127¾, Sykes 126¾. Despite a knockdown in the second round Edwin was ahead on the cards of the officials.

In the semi-final Manuel Moreno, 103½, took the decision over Carlos Real, 108, in an interesting fight.

In fours: Clyde Thomas, 135¼, kayoed Alberto Arosemena, 135¾, in the final stanza and Chicha Fuerte Ruiz, 125½, defeated Berestrod Francis, 125¾.

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MARKED BY FATE . . .

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Dempsey in Toledo on July 4, 1919.

Four years later, at the age of forty-one, he made a comeback and stopped Floyd Johnson in eleven rounds. He then was pitted against Luis Angel Firpo in what was to be the last build-up fight for the "Wild Bull of the Pampas" before he tackled Dempsey. Jess gave Firpo quite a fight until he tired and was stopped in the eighth.

Jess was often criticized and his gameness questioned, until the Dempsey fight proved his great courage. He never enjoyed fighting and the tragedy of the Young fight removed any of the "tiger" spirit that was left in him. A genial giant he lives quietly in California and today, past his seventy-ninth birthday, his career and his abilities are still shrouded in shadows.

Carnera, a towering Italian who began as a circus strongman and wrestler, and now is plying his trade successfully as a grappler, a career for which he was much more suited than that of a pugilist, was exploited as a "killer." He was built-up with a long string of soft touches following his arrival in the United States in 1931.

On Columbus Day, 1931, he was matched with Jack Sharkey, with the winner to clash with Max Schmeling for the championship. Sharkey, enjoying one of his good nights, easily outboxed his huge foe and won in 15 rounds. Then followed another barnstorming tour for Primo with another long string of victories over many push-overs.

In December of 1932, Primo traveling the tank towns of the mid-west, scored seven wins and was matched with Ernie Schaaf in Madison Square Garden for February 10, the following year. Schaaf was a stablemate of Sharkey's and if Carnera could beat Ernie he was promised a shot at the heavyweight title, which Jack had taken from "Herr Max" the previous year.

Schaaf, a clever boxer from Elizabeth, New Jersey, had taken a bad beating in losing to Max Baer six months earlier in Chicago. He was hospitalized, then had fought three times following his 'recovery' and had shown no ill effects although he lacked the fire and stamina he had possessed before the Baer bout. Passed as physically fit, the bout with Carnera was set.

Ernie, much smaller and quicker, kept easily out of the way of Primo's sluggish swings, but when they were in-close, Carnera was able to maul and pound away at his opponent. As the rounds went dully by, little damage was done. Coming up for the twelfth frame, Schaaf was in front but appeared to be tiring. In the thirteenth, he slumped to the canvas after a weak blow had been struck amid cries of fake. . . . Schaaf was carried to his corner. Efforts to revive him proved futile and he was taken to the hospital where he died a few days later.

An autopsy performed by the Chief Medical Examiner of New York City, Dr. Norris, disclosed that Schaaf had a brain ailment that had enlarged his brain to the point where any solid blow was sufficient to add to the damage and effect to the deceased brain to the point of a hemorrhage or concussion.

Carnera, did not seem to be effected by the death of Schaaf, but he was a hard man to figure out. There is little doubt that he was bothered by the fatality though he failed outwardly to show much emotion. In his next fight,

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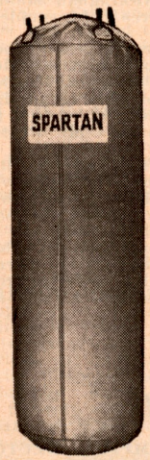

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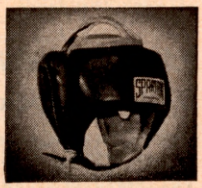

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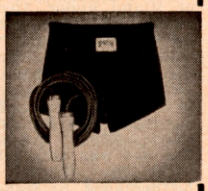

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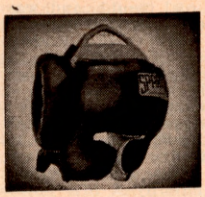

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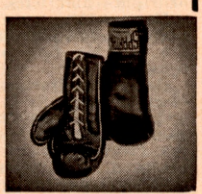

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he became champion with a six round knockout of Sharkey.

Only recently Primo wrestled in Madison Square Garden, drawing a much larger crowd than three consecutive boxing shows in the Eighth Avenue arena. Happier than when he was a boxer, Carnera, like Willard, was misplaced as a pugilist.

Baer, to whom Carnera was to lose his title, was a man judged by many to be one of the best equipped heavyweights of all time. A strapping physical specimen, standing over six feet two inches and scaling around 220 pounds, he was endowed with tremendous strength and punching power. But he was a clown at heart and a playboy who did not settle down until he retired. To those close to Max, it was a different story as they tell it.

His playboy attitude began after his life was touched by tragedy, they say.

That tragedy struck Max when he was only a lad of twenty-one, in his second year of pro boxing when he fought Frankie Campbell in San Francisco on August 25, 1930. Campbell a brother of baseball star of the old Brooklyn Dodgers, Dolph Camilli, took a bad beating from Baer and was knocked out in the fifth round. Hours later Campbell died of a brain injury resulting from the fight.

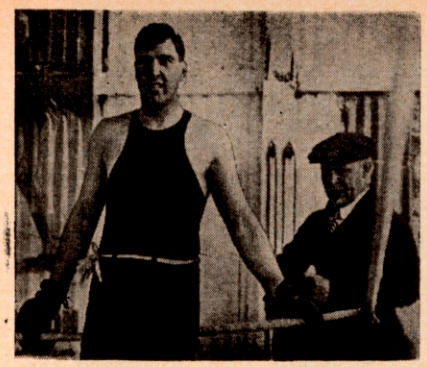
The cause was not established though the heavy whipping he had taken at the hands of Max was given as one cause and the force of the blow when his head hit the floor on the final knockdown, as another.

Fate played another trick, as Max's next foe was Schaaf who outboxed him in his New York debut. The fight marked Baer's first big time showing and the beginning of his career as a playboy. Although he was to win the title four years later and continue on in the ring until 1941, the great punching power that he possessed rarely was unleashed in its full force, and the great future foreseen for him, never materialized.

What might have been had it not been for the Campbell incident no one can tell. Many of the facts in Max's career point to the conclusion that the Campbell death touched Baer deeply and that it took much of his "killer" instinct out of him. The playboy replaced the "killer" in Baer and he was never able to reach the heights expected of him.

CHARLES A GREAT AMATEUR

Ezzard Charles, who like Baer was touted to the skies from the start of his career, even when he was a fourteen year old amateur. In 1937-39 he swept every amateur tournament he entered, winning local, state, national and international titles in the welterweight and middleweight divisions.



Big Jess Willard has his glove adjusted by his manager Tom Jones, while training for his fight with Jack Johnson that brought him the heavyweight crown. Jess was a powerful man who when he met Johnson was at his peak both as a fighter and as a physical specimen.

Turning pro in 1940, he quickly established himself as a top 160 pound contender and until the time he went into the Army, he had lost only two of 36 fights, those to ex-champion Ken Overlin and to another veteran cutie, Kid Tunero. He drew with Ken in a rematch and held wins over Joey Maxim, Charley Burley, Teddy Yarosz, Jose Basora, Booker Beckwith and Steve Mamakos. Quite a feat for a lad just past voting age!

In 1943, while in service, he fought twice and lost both. He dropped a bout to Jimmy Bivins and was knocked out by Lloyd Marshall. In both Ezz was not in top condition due to the fact he had little time to train properly, his service in the army keeping him busy.

Back from service in 1946 as a light heavyweight, he zoomed to the top of his class. The "Cincinnati Cobra" he was called.

Lightning fast and a gifted boxer, he could knockout a man with either hand. He disposed of both Bivins and Marshall along with Archie Moore, Billy Smith, George Parks, Fitzie Fitzpatrick and defeated Moore and Bivins while only losing to Elmer Ray, whom he spotted forty pounds as 1947 drew to a close.

In Charles' first bout of 1948 he again knocked out Moore, this time in the eighth round in Cleveland. That set the stage for his encounter with tragedy. A chance meeting that was to change him from a "tiger" into a lamb.

It was in the Chicago Stadium on February 20, 1948, he was pitted against Sam Baroudi, a strong bull-shouldered puncher from Akron, Ohio. Sam, only 20 years old, was outclassed by Charles from the start, but the stalking "Cobra" was unable to bring his man down though he raked him from stem to stern with volleys of punches round after round. Baroudi, bobbed and weaved and stayed low in a crouch, determined to last the limit. He was succeeding although taking a sound drubbing and getting a free boxing lesson along with it.

Ezz was just as determined to end matters. Coming out for the tenth and final round, he unleashed one more assault. This time he broke through Baroudi's shell, crashing three solid blows to the jaw, Sam straightened up out of his crouch and crumbled over backwards into the ropes and slid to the floor to be counted out.

Six hours later he was dead of a brain hemorrhage. It was the first time in his forty-five bouts fought as a professional, that he had been knocked down.

Although Ezz was cleared of any blame in the death of his opponent, Charles lost his "killer" instinct. Until the Baroudi fight, he had scored thirty-six kayos in sixty-two bouts. After that, although he went on to win the heavyweight title and to keep fighting for another twelve years, he was to score only twenty-two kayos in sixty fights and most of those were recorded on cuts, not clean kayos as were his early wins. Many times he let up when he had an opponent in trouble. He kept looking at the referee eagerly waiting for him to stop the fight and keep Ezz from hurting his man any more than he already had.

This was notable in bouts with Joey Maxim, Joe Baksi, Nick Barone, Rex Layne, Jimmy Bivins, Tommy Harrison and Joe Louis.

With the death of Baroudi, something died inside of Charles, just as it did in Willard, Carnera and Baer. Each was effected differently by his face to face encounter with tragedy. Each was left with a different cross to bear, yet each was touched the same.

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WYATT EARP

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They had some eminently qualified referees in the Bay area. Eddie Graney, for one. Honest John Kelly was available. Greggains, too, was eligible. But the promoters, J. J. Groom and John Gibbs, who composed the National Athletic Club, passed them up. Why? Read on, please.

As the night of the fight neared, the promoters kept playing up the allegation that Martin Julian, Fitz's brother-in-law and manager, and Danny Lynch, who handled Sharkey, could not agree on the third man.

One morning, as Wyatt Earp was heading for the track, he was accosted by Groom and Gibbs.

"Wyatt, we want to you referee the big fight," they supposedly told the onetime gunfighter and faro dealer of Dodge City's Oriental.

"Lynch wants you but Julian is kicking. However, the time is getting short and he will have to take you. How about it?"

The story goes that Earp wasn't keen for the job. He is alleged to have said that if, on the day of the fight, no other referee had been approved by Lynch and Julian, he would undertake to go into the ring.

FANS AMAZED AS EARP ENTERS RING

The caper was not to announce the identity of the referee until both fighters had entered the ring.

The 15,000 spectators were astonished when Wyatt Earp climbed through the ropes, and was introduced as the man who would run the show.

The fans knew about Earp. They had heard of his exploits with a hand gun. They knew something about his Tombstone and Dodge days. They did not know about him as a qualified official for so important a fight.

Wyatt and his walrus mustachioes might have helped the publicity if the fans had known about him in advance. But this contest needed no outside aid. Some 5,000 would-be customers had to be barred by the police. Conditions inside the pavillion already were unsafe.

As Earp came into the ring it was noticed that he carried his Buntline six shooter. He had intended to leave it in the restaurant across the street, where he had a hasty dinner. But he was delayed and forgot to shed the gun.

However, he quickly got rid of it when he discovered it on his person. He gave the artillery to Police Captain Whitman.

When Julian saw Earp in the ring he hollered vehement protests. It was a great show. But then, Julian had been with circuses and was something of a ham actor.

Fitz ordered Julian to stop protesting. He announced that who happened to be the official did not matter. He indicated that he was out to make it brief, and the first round made it look as if he would do just that.

Fitz dropped Tom twice in the first round. However, the tough Tar recovered in the second and gave as good as he got halfway into the fifth. Then Sharkey rushed Ruby Robert to the floor and the Cornishman got sore.

Fitz won the fifth. He took the sixth and seventh. Sharkey kept hitting low and appeared to be of a mind to lose that way.

In the eighth, Fitz landed a terrific right to the jaw and, as the Sailor reeled, followed with a series of combinations that had him almost out.

While Tom was stumbling around, Bob moved away. Sharkey could not defend himself. The future champion hauled off with a hook to the solar plexus and another left to the chin.

Sharkey hit the ring floor with a thud. He rolled over on his back, knocked out.

Bob Allen, Billy Needham and Australian Billy Smith, Sharkey's handlers, rushed into the ring with howls of "Foul."

Now, get this, please. Referee Wyatt Earp kept counting to ten.

Then, in the midst of the bedlam, came a message from Earp. He announced that Sharkey had been fouled, and had won the fight. The customers put on a small riot. This was plain robbery, they hollered.

Earp was unruffled. He said, *"I warned both fighters. Both hit low. There was no doubt that the left to the chin with which Fitz stopped Sharkey was fair. But the left to the body which preceded it was low, and foul."*

On leaving the ring, Earp handed a certified check for $10,000 to Lynch. At ten the following morning, Lynch, with Earp as his bodyguard, presented himself at the Anglo-California Bank for payment.

Paying Teller Stimson told them that management had ordered him to withhold payment. The manager, a man named Lillienthal, called Lynch and Earp into his office and they left within ten minutes, minus the money. Eventually, the check was honored.

If you will consult Nat Fleischer's Ring Record Book you will find that on August 25, 1900, Fitzsimmons, no longer the heavyweight champion, having lost the title to Jim Jeffries, knocked Sharkey out in the second round of a scheduled 25 round battle at Coney Island.

Now, then, let us return to Wyatt Earp. What happened?

I heard Bat Masterson discuss that fight one night in the old car barn offices of the New York Morning Telegraph, opposite the site of the present Garden. Bat was the Telegraph's boxing expert, and Sam Taub was his secretary and trans-scriber.

"Sharkey and Earp were close friends," Masterson revealed. *"Lynch, Sharkey's manager, had no part in the original deal. It was a transaction between Earp and Julian.*

$10,000 FOR EVERY ONE MADE EASY SPLIT

"Earp had the check for $10,000 which was to go to the winner,—and it was winner take all.

"This $10,000 was placed on Sharkey to win, making a pot of $40,000. This was a four way split, and nobody could lose. The odds were 3 to 1.

"Neither Sharkey nor Fitzsimmons was in on the plot.

"Sharkey, Earp's winner on a foul, got $10,000. Fitz, Earp's loser on a foul, but actually winner by a knockout, got $10,000.

"Earp, who made Sharkey winner on a foul, got $10,000 and Julian, who cooked it all up, got his $10,000."

Fitz said that he had won with his solar plexus punch, the one with which he stopped Corbett.

Sharkey said, *"It must have been a foul or I wouldna won."*

The fans said, *"This stunk to high Heaven."* The scandal killed the National Athletic Club and ruined boxing in San Francisco for many years.

The Ring Detective finds that Masterson's verdict against his old pal must be posted in the books for all time.

The foul was not Fitz's, but Wyatt Earp's. The Ring Detective asks Fleischer to insert an asterisk in the Fitzsimmons and Sharkey records, to cover one of the worst decisions boxing has had to contend with in its many years of competition.

No promoter, after December 2, 1896, had the temerity to let Wyatt Earp, of Tombstone, Dodge and the Mechanics' Pavillon, referee a fight.

Argentine welterweight contender Jorge Fernandez, clowns around as he is fed a large slice of cake by former world heavyweight champion Jack Dempsey in Jack's world famous New York restaurant. Looking in on the fun is Barney Ross, the former holder of the lightweight and welterweight crowns.

MICHIGAN FISTIC FACTS
By Jack Waina

JOHN J. HETTCHE, WHO SERVED AS BOXING COMMISSIONER OF MICHIGAN FROM 1939 UNTIL 1948, died of a heart attack at the age of 73 years old. Hettche's resignation brought about the appointment of Floyd Stevens, current commissioner.

The tenure of Hettche was as stormy a period the sport has ever known here. There was never a dull moment as Hettche ruled with an iron fist and was met with opposition from promoters, matchmakers, managers, fighters and even fellow commissioners, who argued loud and long at many of his decisions. Twice, Hettche threatened to withdraw Michigan from the NBA when he didn't see eye-to-eye with the then president of the association, Abe Greene.

Besides boxing, Hettche's sports interest was that of owning a stable of horses and an amateur hockey team. John was a very generous and charitable backer of many other sporting functions in need of financial help and will be long remembered by many.

▶While local boxing activity remained at a standstill here for the second straight month, local fighters headlined cards elsewhere.

Forrest Foster took his classy protege Gene Gresham to London, England, to face Dave Charnley, British lightweight champion where he dropped a ten round nod.

Despite a late rally by his opponent, Yama Bahama, Detroiter Ted Wright managed to salvage a ten round draw decision, although many in the crowd at the St. Nicholas Arena felt that middleweight Bahama deserved a better fate.

▶It isn't often that you'll find Kenny Lane losing a fight, especially on decision (he has lost only ten bouts out of 72 starts, of which 6 were decisions), and when he does, it usually is to a ranking fighter. So when Lane, the veteran Muskegon lightweight was outpointed by Jose Stable a 3-1 underdog at St. Nick's, it came as quite a shocker here.

▶After campaigning five years and engaging in 27 bouts, James Remson, Detroit middleweight, finally had the distinction of going ten rounds even though it was in a losing effort against Clarence Alford at Chicago. Remson dropped Alford in the fifth round, but came out second best when Alford came back slugging himself in return.

▶Give the United States heavyweight wrestling champion Dick The Bruiser a controversial opponent, develop a feud and you have a sellout. That is exactly what happened when "Rowdy Richard" met massive Bobo Brazil, exponent of the "coco-bump" at the Olympia Stadium. Sixteen thousand, eight hundred and fifty-two fans turned out paying $41,013, and many more were turned away, to watch the brutality.

Earlier The Bruiser and Killer Kowalski defended their tag team championship against Antonio (Argentina) Rocca and Vern Gage. Both teams had scored a fall apiece when the sixty minute time limit expired, as result the match ended in a draw.

▶Henry Hank turned down chances to face Gene "Ace" Armstrong in a rematch at the Olympia Stadium and a shot at Doug Jones in Madison Square Garden.

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TOLEDO FISTIC HEADLINES
By Hal Grothjan

UNBEATEN DICK YOUNG OF PHILADELPHIA STOPPED VETERAN CHARLEY COTTON of Toledo in the eighth round of an exciting slugfest in Philly.

▶The powerful Police Athletic League team is heavily favored to cop honors during the annual Toledo Golden Gloves tournament held this month.

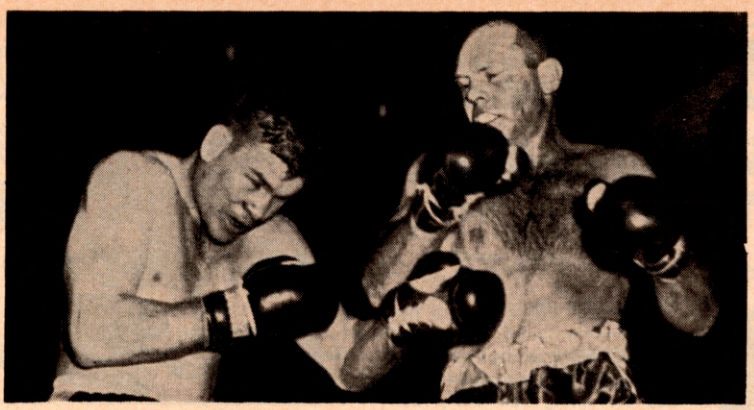
▶Last year the Toledo PAL team sent five members to the Olympic tryouts in San Francisco, with Wilbert McClure going all the way to capture a Gold Medal in last summer's Olympic Games in Rome. McClure will graduate from the University of Toledo this spring, and, although he hasn't yet committed himself, rumors are this boxer-puncher will join the professional ranks shortly.

▶Incidentally, McClure capture every possible amateur championship during his career, including being voted the "Outstanding Champion" in the 1959 National AAUs; Inter-City and Chicago GG Champ; Pan American champion and the Olympic Gold Medal, among others.

▶Pat Lowry is back in the Toledo area and plans a comeback after residing on the west coast for the past few years.

▶Toledo's Rocco Falvo, a student at the University of Detroit, outlasted Phil Rothstein in a fast six in a card held nearby recently. They are heavyweights.

▶Wayman Gray of nearby Monroe, Mich., 1960 National AAU Flyweight Champion, has joined the Marv Jensen stable in West Jordan, Utah, and scored a victory in his first pro start recently.



Pete Rademacher lands a stiff right to the head of Texan Donnie Fleeman during their ten rounder in Seattle that saw Pete win a unanimous decision. It was his 12th win in 16 pro fights and his 5th victory in a row.

CHICAGO BOXING NEWS
By Joe Diehl

FOLLOWING A TWO WEEK HOLIDAY HIATUS, Promoter Ben Bentley resumed his weekly presentations at Marigold Arena. His first 1961 offering was a slim one as only 590 fans contributed to a net gate of $1,112, making both the crowd and the "take" the smallest since Bentley began his avowed drive to revive the fight game here a few months ago.

However, the next card, his seventh, saw the crowd hit four figures for the first time since opening night, when 1125 fans paid $2,320 to make it the second fattest gate since the kickoff last November.

Clarence Alford, 162, Cleveland, bounced back from a 5th round knock-down to win a close 10-round decision over Jimmy Remson, 157, Detroit.

Remson dumped Alford with a right to the head, but the Ohioan took the compulsory 8-count and then managed to weather a barrage of head shots until the bell bailed him out.

However, Alford took the play away from Remson in the late rounds, and nearly took the Detroiter out in the 10th with a flurry of wild hooks. But Remson proved durable enough to go the distance in one of the best bouts yet presented here.

Referee Frank Sikora scored the fight a draw at 45-45, but the judges gave Alford a close nod due to his tremendous finish. Andy Zaucha called it 45-44, and John Schreiner had it 46-45.

Art Hayes, 184, beat Frank Williams, 187 (4); George Williams, 136, and Johnny White, 135, drew (4); Tommy Caldwell, 164, stopped Jerry Christopher, 180 (1) and Fred Jackson, 136, decisioned Leo Pitcher, 134 (5).

▶The following week former welterweight champion Virgil Akins, 154, St. Louis, toyed with T. J. Jones, 150, Chicago, before being awarded a 10th round TKO when the exhausted Jones was prevented by the house physician, Dr. Irving Slott, from answering the bell for the final round.

Jones, a veteran of only 15 fights before meeting Akins, obviously was in over his head for this one.

There were no knockdowns but the bout was replete with toe-to-toe exchanges, and Jones suffered a closed left orb in the heavy cannonading.

Preliminaries: Mike Brown, 154, St. Louis, decisioned Andrew Ballderas, 152, Milwaukee (5); Johnny White, 136, Fort Wayne, Ind. beat Preston Swoops, 136, Chicago (4); Wilson Harris, 149, Chicago, decisioned Eugene Walker, 149, Chicago; (4), and Freddy Jackson, 138, Chicago, won over Wesley Morgan, 141, Chicago (5).

▶Here are the results of the December matches:

Jesse Smith, 158, Chicago, stopped Mel Collins, 157½, Trenton, New Jersey, in the fifth round of a scheduled 10. The pre-Christmas bout drew only 608 fans with a net gate of $1,161 representing the second smallest crowd and box office figures since the neighborhood fight club re-opened.

▶T. J. Jones, 150, Chicago stopped Tony Dupas, 152, New Orleans, in the fourth round of a slated ten. The card drew 669 paid with a net of $1,281.

Ringside Rackups: The beauty of the fights at Marigold is that they bring out the old-time legit breed of fan who followed the fight game long before TV virtually made the sport extinct.

It reminded the writer of his early days as a sports scribbler at the Westchester County Center in White Plains, and the old Bronx Coliseum. This type of fight follower never wanted to sit home and take the action on the TV. They have always wanted to be there, but sadly enough, in this synthetic era there is generally no place for them to go.

CHICAGO PROMOTER BEN BENTLEY has a new partner, 41-year-old Joe Kellman, a glass manufacturer and long-time fistic buff. The first 9 shows have all dipped into the red, although in recent weeks attendance has been doubled.

Kellman hopes to come up with a revolutionary twist in the weekly Marigold Arena bouts. New outfit is known as Globe Boxing, Inc.

Kellman wants to use amateur fighters on the same cards with professionals in an attempt to build up "future attractions."

However, the desired innovation appears remote as the Amateur Athletic Union reportedly frowns on permitting amateurs to fight on cards involving professionals.

Kellman said that he would remain with Bentley as co-promoter and "angel" for a limited period. Kellman at one time managed Robert Earl.

Jesse Smith, 161, Philadelphia, decisioned Clarence (Jet) Alford, 162, Cleveland, in the first ten-round head'iner under the aegis of the Globe Boxing Club.

It was a return go, as the pair had met last summer in a Chicago Stadium bout in which Smith registered a kayo.

Alford managed to remain erect although he was staggered in the third, fifth, 7th and 9th, as Smith took a unanimous decision, while he absorbed numerous potent punches himself.

Joe Lubert, 186, Chicago, decisioned Roger Wakefield, 186, La Crosse, Wisconsin, (4); Eugene Walker, 151, Chicago, beat Mervyn Daindridge, 152, Chicago (5), and Billy Bragg, 138, Milwaukee, stopped Art Wilburn, 137, Galesburg, Ill. (5).

The card was the second in a row to better the 1,000 mark in attendance, as the 1,012 fans contributed $2,208 at the box-office.

▶The progress made in recent weeks at Marigold was nullified on the final January card of the month as only 746 fans turned out, paying $1,599 at the gate.

Mel Middleton, 129, Philadelphia, who went in an 8-to-5 under-dog, registered a 10-round split decision over Chuck Taylor, 136, Detroit.

Each fighter suffered cuts over the right eye, Taylor in the third round and Middleton in the 9th. Both remained erect, however, despite plenty of toe to toe slugging.

Judge Howard Walsh had Middleton the winner 47-44, while his colleague, Jim McManus, scored it, 48-44. Referee Frank Sikora, a frequent dissenter, saw Taylor on top, 46-45.

Al Jackson, 174, Chicago, beat Clay Harbin, 172, Chicago, (4); Bobby Cline, 151, Chicago, decisioned Jimmy Adams, 150, Chicago, (4); Johnny White 136, Terre Haute, Ind., stopped Mickey Zelke, 142, La Crosse, Wisconsin, (3), and Willy Westbrook, 150, Chicago, stopped Mervyn Daindridge, 150, Chicago, (3).

▶**RINGSIDE RACKUPS:** As of now, this club shares the distinction along with St. Nick's, of being the only fistic center to go on a weekly basis. Bentley and Kellman are hoping to do well enough to warrant moving into The International Amphitheatre for spot shots.

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Havlin is downed by Murphy early in the contest. The match was the first international featherweight contest and was a thriller that set the pace for other matches that followed in the long history of the 126 pound class.

AMERICAN FEATHERS SCARCE

(*Continued from page 14*)

which Havlin fought with his left eye closed and Murphy with severe bruises over his face and body.

Tom O'Rourke, who later managed George Dixon and Joe Wolcott, and promoted in New York, was chief second for Havlin and Jack McAuliffe, lightweight king, aided Tom. Each fighter was permitted to have only twelve guests in his party and the New York Racquet Club members were also permitted to attend and paid $25 per head. The club secretly arranged the fight and the scene of action to prevent police interference.

The New York police got tipped off and when the Boston party reached New York and got aboard a tug at the Battery, the Harbor Police gave chase and from eleven o'clock at night until 2 o'clock in the morning, the police followed the tug but finally gave it up as a bad job and the spectators were landed on the Jersey shore where shortly after, the fight got under way. Murphy was cared for by his backer, Patsy Sheppard and his seconds were Jack Ashton and John Fraser. O'Rourke was Havlin's backer. The bout started at 5:30 in the morning.

On March 31 of the following year, Weir, the greatest all-around athlete and acrobat in ring history, challenged Murphy for the featherweight title. He had seen the Havlin-Murphy bout and declared, "I saw the battle as one of the guests of the Racquet Club and in my opinion Havlin had the better of the milling. He should have been awarded the decision. Since he didn't and Murphy has declared himself the champion, I challenge him for the right to wear the crown. I'm confident I can lick either one, especially Murphy."

And so a championship bout was quickly arranged by O'Rourke, this time for Kouts, Indiana, where the chances of non-interference were better than in the East. On March 31, 1889, they fought in what was advertised as a bout for the world featherweight crown and it ended in a draw after 80 rounds had been fought with skin-tight gloves.

On July 30 of the same year, Billy Murphy, Australian feather king and Frank Murphy fought a draw of 27 rounds, after which Frank returned to England. Richard K. Fox, owner of the old Police Gazette, the only complete set of which is owned by the writer, offered a championship belt for a fight between Billy and Frank, a return engagement, but Frank refused to accept another contest. Whereupon Fox arranged to have Weir and Australian Billy clash for the belt and the world title and the Australian scored a knockout in the fourteenth round to be crowned world king.

WITH OUR SERVICEMEN

(*Continued from page 33*)

Glove's ladder to win the Ohio State bantamweight title in 1955. In 1956 Johnny moved into Olympic fistic circles to win the Mid-western Olympic trials featherweight championship.

This championship earned him a trip to San Francisco and a chance for a berth on the 1956 Olympic squad. Inexperience and youth scratched Johnny in the early elimination bouts at the San Francisco Cow Palace.

The high point of Johnny's championship-studded record came with the 1959 season. Battling his way from city to city, he reached the finals of the National Golden Gloves to capture the 1959 featherweight laurels.

He entered the Army the same year and continued to add to his wins with a runner-up slot in the bantamweight division of the 1960 All-Army tournament.

Johnny is a paratrooper assigned to Company E of the 101st Airborne Division's 187th Airborne Battle Group.

Eugene Johnson of Trenton, N. J. has been named the Arizona State Golden Gloves Middleweight Champion in the Novice Division.

Johnson, assigned to the Army Electronic Proving Ground at Fort Huachuca, decisioned Isaac Jones of Phoenix to earn the crown. The army boxer, who combines speed and power in the ring, has sustained only one loss this season, according to Post Special Services officials.

The Trenton fighter was the only one of four army boxers to win in the finals of the State Glove competition. Ralph Ellis, Charles Mick and Paul Lichtner all were defeated in the finals.

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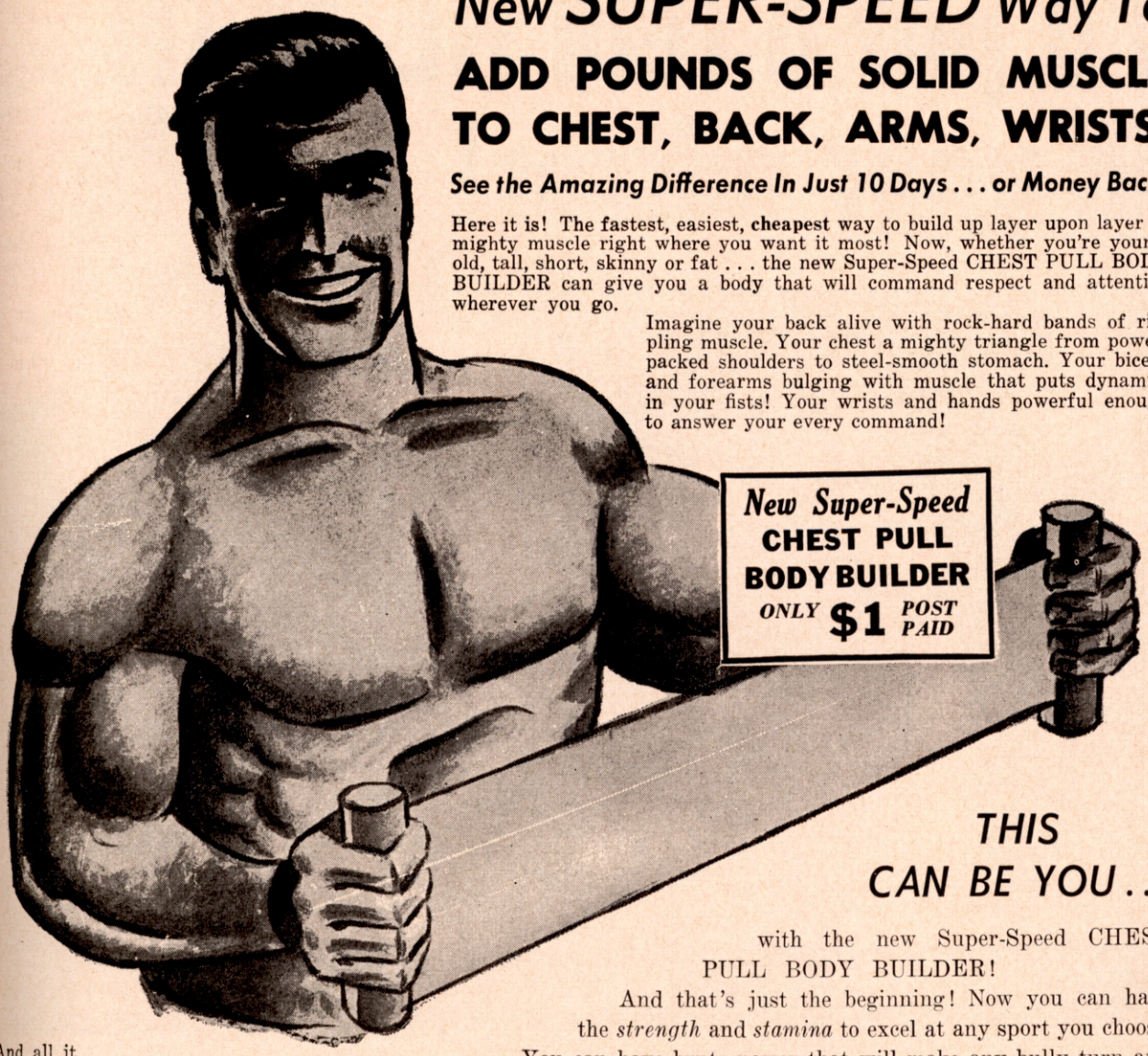

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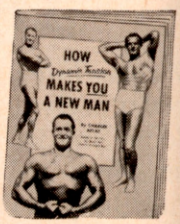

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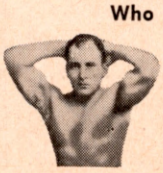

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